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Expecting Collapse

Aquinaldo's Capture Likely to Bring About Peace in Philippines.

A Marked Increase Is Noticed in Number of Individual Surrenders.

General Trias Has Interview at Manila With His Former Chief.

Manila, March 29.—After being convinced of Aguinaldo's capture, Gen. Geronimo, the insurgent leader in the province of Morong, Luzon, has surrendered with six officers, 46 men and 50 rifles, to Col. J. Thompson, of the 24th regiment, at San Mateo. As the news of Aguinaldo's capture spread through the islands, the insurgents are becoming despondent, and there is a marked increase in the number of individual surrenders. Gen. Cailes, who is outlawed on account of his atrocious crimes, has sent an emissary to Gen. Bates, who answered that he must surrender unconditionally and stand trial.

The former insurgent officers and the Macabebes scouts who took part in the capture of Aguinaldo, will receive a monetary reward. The amount has not been specified. It has also been recommended that every man participating in the capture of Aguinaldo receive a special medal.

When Aguinaldo was captured, he wore a plain dark blue suit with the coat closed and buttoned at the throat, a white wide helmet with a leather band. He takes his capture philosophically, and is generally cheerful, but sometimes moody. His health during the past year has been very good. Certain visitors are permitted to see Aguinaldo, but newspaper interviews with the prisoner are not allowed.

Since Aguinaldo has been domiciled at the Lalacauang palace, persons not provided with permits have been denied permission to the grounds.

Gen. Trias, the commander of the insurgent forces in Southern Luzon, who recently surrendered to the United States authorities, visited Aguinaldo and told the latter why he surrendered. He said that a continuance of armed opposition to the United States was unjustifiable and ruinous. The independence of the Philippines was impossible and the Filipinos had better accept liberty, prosperity and progress under American rule.

The capture of Aguinaldo following the surrender of Gen. Trias will probably occasion the surrender within a month of the insurgent leaders Malaxer, in Batagas, province of Luzon; of Belarmino, in Albay, province of Luzon, and Lucban, in the island of Samar.

On arriving in these waters with the prisoner the United States gunboat Vicksburg stopped eight miles out, and in response to a signal, a launch appeared from the shore of Corregider island and Aguinaldo was transferred. The launch steamed up the Pasig river to the wharf, at the back of the Malacanang palace, where the prisoner disembarked almost unnoticed. Some time passed before the news of Aguinaldo's capture was known. The fact that he was a prisoner caused joy and congratulation among the Americans. The native population was apathetic. There was no particular excitement anywhere.

Washington, March 29.—The disposition to be made of Aguinaldo will originate with the army officials in the Philippines and be passed upon finally here. There is no inclination to deal harshly with him. Some of the cabinet officers think it is possible he may be used with good effect by the authorities of the Philippines commission in the establishment of a civil government. Gen. Macarthur's despatch suggesting that Aguinaldo might issue an address advising the insurgents to accept the situation, was pointed to as indicating possibilities along this line. On the other hand, Aguinaldo's record has not been such as to win for him great confidence in his constancy, and if his influence cannot be utilized safely, he undoubtedly will be sent to some place where he can foment no further trouble. Guam was mentioned as a possible place for his detention.

The President and his cabinet believe the capture of Aguinaldo will mean much in the crushing of the insurrection. Indeed, they are inclined to the belief now that it means the utter collapse of the opposition to the authority of the United States.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

Emperor William Speaks of Attempts to Disturb Cordial Relations.

Berlin, March 29.—According to the Kleines Journal, Emperor William, during a toast last evening, said: "Attempts have been made to disturb the cordial friendship between Russia and Germany. It is certainly not my fault if such attempts have temporarily proved successful." The Berliner Tageblatt, which confirms this statement, asserts that the Emperor made a second speech, when replying to a toast of himself, in which he went deeply into policy, especially the Russo-German relations, and his own relations with the chief of the Emperor Alexander Grenadier regiment, namely, Emperor Nicsolas.

In German official circles, Lord Lansdowne's statement in the British House of Lords yesterday regarding the Manchurian controversy, is considered only a play with words. England's diplomatic action on this question has heretofore been parallel with Germany's, nor does it seem that England desires to go further. The declarations of the British foreign secretary are looked on as if intended to help him over a momentary parliamentary difficulty.

From the same source of information it was ascertained that the Japanese government does not mean to undertake serious steps against Russia unless Korea should become involved.

TROUBLE IN CUBA.

A Split Threatened in the National Party.

Havana, March 29.—Senor Villuend, of the committee on relations of the Cuba constitutional convention, to-day signed the report of Senor Juan Gualberto Gomez, thus placing a majority of the committee in opposition to the principal features of the Platt amendment. A split is threatened in the national party of Havana because of a resolution against the Platt amendment. Senor Tamayo, secretary of state, resigned from the party to-day.

NO STRIKE.

Anthracite Miners Decide That Work Will Be Continued.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 29.—The general committee representing the miners in the anthracite district to-night issued a statement, in which they announce that there will be no strike this year. After reviewing the work done by the committee to bring about the adjustment of the miners' grievances and arrogation of their union, the statement says: "The representatives of the operators listened attentively to the presentation of our arguments, and, while they would not agree to meet in general joint conference with the miners, they did agree that the notices which were posted continuing the advance in wages until April 1, 1902, and agreeing to take up and adjust with their mine employees grievances they might have, should be interpreted and construed that such grievances should be considered and adjusted with representatives or committees of the mine workers, and they held out the hope that if during the present year the mine workers demonstrated their willingness to abstain from agitating in local strikes, full and complete recognition of the organization would unquestionably be accorded at a future date. In consideration of the vast interests involved, and in view of the fact that at least a partial recognition of our organization has been secured, and with the hope that a greater degree of justice will be obtained in the near future, your committee to whom was delegated the power and authority to determine whether work should cease or continue after April 1, would respectfully recommend that work be continued."

MAJORITY REDUCED.

Ontario Government Gradually Losing Its Followers.

Toronto, March 29.—(Special)—The Ontario government's majority suffered another slump last night. On Tuesday of this week it was 10, on Wednesday it was 9, last night it was 8. On Wednesday the Liberal member for North Renfrew refused to vote with the ministry. Last night the Liberal member for Parry Sound, Beatty, went a step further and voted with the opposition. A division occurred after midnight on an amendment to a motion by the Premier to go into supply. The amendment, which was moved by Carnegie, expressed regret that the government, in order to promote settlement, had not in the free grant in unlicensed townships, disposed of pine to settlers at reasonable dues, and on lands under timber licenses had not retained all timber other than pine for actual settlers. This was rejected by a vote of 39 to 31.

LAW OF ASSOCIATIONS.

French Parliament Disposes of a Troublesome Bill.

Paris, March 30.—The Law of Associations bill, one of the most important measures considered by the French parliament during the last decade, was passed last evening by the chamber of deputies by a vote of 303 to 220. The chamber adjourned to May 14.

Object to Copper Coin

Vancouver Grocerymen View With Alarm the Advent of the Cent.

Wholesalers and Retailers Discussing the Short Credit System and Discount.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, March 29.—The Retail Grocers' Association met last night to discuss matters of vital importance to the trade. It was decided unanimously that those present viewed with alarm the report that coppers were to be introduced into certain Vancouver business houses; that they would discountenance their use as an injury to business; that they would pledge themselves not to use them in any event. Those who spoke to the resolution stated that the Japanese and Chinese would welcome the advent of the copper, as it would enable them to still further cut prices to the consumer in wares sold by the trade, and further, that the high freight rates, added to the cost of goods in the West, was another reason why the cent pieces should be barred.

It was also announced at the meeting that certain merchants who had been cutting prices in some lines of staples had been prevailed upon to discontinue the practice, and those present congratulated themselves on the fact that the matter had been arranged in so amicable a manner. The question of shortened credit was not taken up at the meeting, but Mr. Foran, the secretary, kindly gave the following explanation of the matter: The retailers first made overtures to the wholesalers that the wholesalers protect the trade generally by compelling merchants whose credit had become exhausted to arrange their differences or anticipate no further extension of credit, as those who paid their bills promptly were placed in unfair competition with men whose credit had really been exhausted but who were being carried along by the wholesale houses. For illustration, if a man had $500, it would be right that he received $1,000 credit, but credit should stop there. Let the credit be double the available cash, and no more. Through some misunderstanding, the wishes of the retailers were not acted upon, or apparently understood by the wholesale merchants; and in reply to their petition for protection the retailers received a circular issued by the Wholesale Grocers' Association, to the effect that on and after March 1 bills must be paid by the 5th of the month, instead of the 15th, as formerly, to entitle the purchaser to the customary 2 per cent. discount; that in 60 days' time the net price would prevail in making payments; and that bills payable after that date would be subject to 8 per cent. interest. This was not considered an answer to the petition of the retailers, and they are still awaiting one. In the meantime it is reported that the wholesalers are considering the advisability of compromising matters by making discount payments due on the 10th of the month, instead of the 5th; and Mr. Black, secretary of the Wholesale Grocers' Association, is at present in Victoria consulting the wholesale grocers at the Capital regarding the matter.

Coppers have again found their way to Vancouver. They have been tendered and accepted on the street cars, while the Hudson's Bay Company's stores have marked many of their goods at prices terminating with all figures between 1 and 9 inclusive.

Discuss The Canal

London Papers on the Failure of the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty.

Saturday Review Speaks of Joint European Representations to United States.

The Spectator Does Not Object to the Canal Being Fortified.

London, March 30.—The Saturday Review, discussing the Nicaragua canal controversy in a page article, says:

"There is no great hope of the United States doing anything agreeable to England, and if the United States government should persist in defiance of its pledges, in attempting to obtain exclusive control of the canal whose neutrality is of the highest importance to the whole world, there would be only one course open. The rest of the world must take steps to protect itself."

The article alludes to "American aggression," and advocates "United European representations."

The Spectator, discussing the Hay-Pauncefote treaty, will say to-morrow: We cannot help thinking that instead of contriving a very effective diplomatic score, Lord Lansdowne would be better employed in asking himself what were the essential interests of the United Kingdom. We believe the British mercantile circles demand that the canal shall be made and that when it is made it shall be held by the Americans. We hold the Suez canal, and, except for keeping British Honduras, which, of course, we shall keep, the less we have to do with Central America the better. As long as we keep command of the sea (and unless we keep it we shall cease to count as a nation), we have no need to get in a panic over the Americans fortifying the canal. Sea power will control the canal and not land batteries.

IN NANAIMO.

Poultry Association Chooses Officers—Poisoned by Bad Vegetables.

Nanaimo, March 29.—(Special)—D. R. Harris, P. L. S., has arrived from a fortnight's surveying on behalf of the Dominion government at Bolanac island, Northwest Bay.

The Ladysmith Boating Club has been organized, and has applied to Mr. Dunsmuir for a site for a club-house. The club has purchased a lot of skiffs, etc., in Victoria.

The Nanaimo Poultry, Pigeon and Pet Stock Association have elected officers for the ensuing year as follows: President, R. Jarvis (re-elected); vice-president, William Newbury; secretary, George Wilkinson (re-elected); treasurer, V. Stewart (re-elected); committee, J. Nicholson, T. Wilkinson, C. Wilgress, J. T. Parger, John Thompson and William Stonehouse.

Richard Hilbert and wife, who nearly met death through eating Chinese vegetables at the beginning of the week, are still suffering.

The old hand fire engine in service in Nanaimo for a quarter of a century was sold for $300 and sent to Portland to-day.

WALKER'S BODY FOUND.

Another Victim's Corpse Taken From Union Mine.

Cumberland, March 29.—Manager Matthews, Inspector Morgan, Mr. Priest and others descended No. 5 shaft to-day and reached a point 50 feet from the foot of No. 6 shaft. They encountered water at that point, and could not get quite through, owing to some caves.

They discovered the body of William Walker Jr. in the main drive near No. 2 drum, close to a full trip of coal and two dead mules.

The funeral of Walker took place this afternoon at 6 o'clock, and was largely attended, Rev. Mr. Dodds officiating. The Orange lodge and True Blues had charge of the funeral.

The water is below the landing in No. 6, but still lies on the incline too deep to allow work to proceed.

UNHAPPY STUDENTS.

Some Confined by Russian Authorities Commit Suicide.

St. Petersburg, March 28.—The 41 students who were arrested a fortnight ago for participating in a student meeting were released yesterday. They spent one week in solitary confinement. Under the law 1,101 prisoners taken into custody on account of political demonstration must be released within a month, unless their prosecution has legally begun before the expiration of that time. Several students have committed suicide, and it is reported they did so because of the crushing of their political hopes.

REMOUNT DEPOTS.

Lieutenant-Colonel Dent Has Arrived in Montreal.

Montreal, March 29.—Lieut.-Col. Dent, who has been commissioned by the Imperial government to purchase in Canada a large number of horses for the British army, arrived here to-day. He will leave for Ottawa in a few days to confer with the Governor-General and the members of the government, and will afterwards visit the Northwest. Col. Dent will urge upon the government the establishment of remount depots in Canada.

PROROGUED.

Manitoba Legislature Winds Up Session.

Winnipeg, March 29.—(Special)—The Manitoba legislature prorogued this afternoon, when Lieutenant-Governor McMillan gave assent to a large number of bills. The speech refers in congratulatory terms to the legislation passed during the session.

ARCHBISHOP LEWIS.

He Is Resting Easier According to the Doctor.

New York, March 29.—Dr. Stewart, who is attending the Rev. John Travers Lewis, archbishop of Ontario and metropolitan of Canada, who is ill at the Hotel Empire, said to-night that the archbishop was resting easily.

VANCOUVER'S NEW SCHOOL.

Named in Honor of Lord Roberts and Opened With Due Ceremony.

Vancouver, March 30.—(Special)—The new school known as the Lord Roberts school was formally opened yesterday, with 200 children present. Trustee Banfield presided and Trustee Gordon delivered an oration on the life of Gen. Roberts. Other trustees spoke, and an interesting programme was rendered by the pupils. About 70 trees were planted in honor of public men of Vancouver, and one in honor of Miss Ruth Cassidy, the young lady who obtained the highest number of marks in the recent examination. Three cheers were given for Miss Cassidy when the tree was being planted. The British flag was raised over the school by Trustee Banfield.

Word has been received of the death of Mrs. Joseph Brown at Hongkong. Mrs. Brown formerly lived in Vancouver.

William Whyte, general manager of the C. P. R. west of Fort William, left for the East yesterday, accompanied by Mr. Marpole. They travel via the Kootenay and Crow's Nest route.

In coming to an agreement with the city council as to franchises and privileges, the Stave Lake Power Company are fighting every inch of the ground with the city authorities. Several special meetings have been held to consider the draft agreement, clause by clause, but the end is as yet far off. Mr. Fred. Peters, counsel for the power company, stated yesterday that the aldermen seemed to be prejudiced in favor of the British Columbia Electric Company. The remark caused considerable feeling, and three of the aldermen left the meeting.

Matters are still at a standstill at the Van Anda mines. Twenty-five men were engaged to work in the mines, but dodgers were circulated stating that the strike was still on, and 16 "jumped their job," only 8 having left for Van Anda by the boat. Mr. Bremner, labor commissioner, will make an attempt to adjust the differences between the company and the men. Mr. Burns, who has the management of the mine, said this morning that he did not know the exact demands of the men, but would do everything in his power to bring the strike to an end, as he was anxious to commence operations at the mine at once, and on as large a scale as ever.

ROLAND REED DEAD.

He Succumbs to Cancer of the Stomach After Long Illness.

New York, March 30.—Roland Reed, the famous actor, died at 10 o'clock this morning at the home of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Rush. At his bedside there was his daughter, Mrs. Florence, and Mrs. Rush. The actor's death was caused by cancer of the stomach, from which he had been suffering for some time, and for the amelioration of which he had submitted to several operations. The actor for the past 24 hours was in a state of coma. He was born in Philadelphia in 1852.

THE CRISTOBAL COLON.

Relic of the Spanish-United States War Destroyed.

San Juan, Porto Rico, March 30.—The steamer Cristobal Colon, which was sunk in the channel at the entrance to San Juan in the early days of the war, and which has ever since been a serious menace to navigation, was blown up yesterday, thus widening the passage to the harbor by 40 feet.

AROUSED AT LAST

To the terrible ravages of consumption in Ontario, the government is petitioning to establish hospitals for consumptives. As a preventative to, consumption there is no treatment to be compared to Dr. Chase's Syrup of Linseed and Turpentine which promptly and effectually cures every cough and cold. It has by far the largest sale of any remedy for throat and lung troubles. 25 cents a bottle. Family size 60 cents. All dealers.

TORONTO CONSERVATIVES.

Discuss Chances of Success at Provincial Elections.

Toronto, March 30.—(Special)—At a Conservative meeting in Dingman's Hall last night, speeches were delivered by Messrs. Maclean, E. F. Clarke, Kemp and Northrup, of the Dominion parliament, and by several members of the legislature. The burden of the speeches was the approaching provincial elections and the chances of Conservative success.

THE PREMIER'S CONDITION

An Alarming Report From London Regarding Ill-Health of Lord Salisbury.

London, March 30.—The Weekly Despatch repeats the story published in the Daily Express of Saturday, that Lord Salisbury is suffering from a kidney affection, which is likely to incapacitate him for some time to come. The Despatch adds: "Doctors have pronounced Lord Salisbury to be suffering from Bright's disease in so aggravated a form that a grave view is being taken of the case.

"Lord Salisbury is so anxious to prevent the nature of his illness from being made public that none of the eminent specialists called in are allowed to sign a bulletin. No bulletins announced by the doctors have been issued. The Premier's condition suddenly became so grave a week ago that Sir Richard Douglas Powell, Dr. Walker and other physicians were hastily summoned. In order to avert a crisis a special prescription was made up, the application of which checked the approaching complications, but the Premier's condition for the last day or two has disappointed all the medical men. One of the earliest callers on Saturday was a special messenger from the King.

"The family last evening expressed a hope that Lord Salisbury might make the journey to the Riviera, but the physicians are loth to express an opinion, except in so far as forbidding any arrangements to be made for the present."

CHURCH TROUBLES.

Anglican Bishop of Honolulu Makes Charge Against a Rector.

Honolulu, March 30.—An official statement has been issued by the Very Rev. Alfred Willis, Anglican Bishop of Honolulu, charging that Rev. John Osborne, rector of St. Clement's chapel, has attempted to establish a new sect, under the name of the "Episcopal Church at Large." Members of the church declined to turn over the church property to him unless he made certain concessions which they desired.

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Aguinaldo As Captive

Details of His Life in Malanang Palace Where He Is Incarcerated.

He Wears New Clothes and "Tries to Read" American Newspapers.

The Natives Do Not Seem Impressed With Importance of the Prisoner.

Manila, March 30.—In company with Col. Vellia, his chief of staff, and Dr. Barcelona, ex-treasurer of the Filipino government, Aguinaldo occupies one of the nicest apartments of Malanang palace. He is closely guarded, but courteously treated.

Aguinaldo nervously paces the floor, and deeply thinking, thrusts his hands through his hair. He smokes many cigars and cigarettes and has a hearty appetite. He speaks only a few words in English. He is conscious of his dignity, but tries to talk pleasantly with his guards. He often praises the skill and audacity of Gen. Funston in effecting his capture, saying that only by strategem could he have been captured.

It is said that Aguinaldo is very strongly averse to reverting from his former attitude, but that he must regard the best interests of the Filipino people. The sister of Dr. Barcelona has called upon him, bringing a plentiful supply of linen.

Aguinaldo is well supplied with money and has ordered a supply of new clothes. He is careful of his personal appearance. He celebrated his thirty-second birthday the day before he was captured. The birthday festivities were prolonged, and only terminated upon the arrival of Gen. Funston.

Aguinaldo tries to read the American papers and is anxious to learn the state of public opinion in the United States concerning Philippine affairs. He has again conferred with Gen. Trias and Chief Justice Arellano, but his future intentions have not been announced. He spends much time seated by a barred window, watching the boats passing up and down the Passag river.

This morning Aguinaldo was recognized by a crowd of natives going up the river in a lighter. The natives gazed at him a while in silence, and then began to jeer, calling him "Emilio and vile names, in the Dagol language. The guards quieted the disturbance and Aguinaldo left the window in disgust.

The natives in Manila are undemonstrative concerning Aguinaldo's capture, and it is difficult to ascertain what the majority of them really think of it.

It is certain that Aguinaldo's influence is less strong that formerly, though it is still great.

Washington, March 30.—The war department to-day received the following cablegram from Gen. Macarthur at Manila, dated March 30:

Gen. Geronimo, commanding Eastern Bulacan, Morong province, surrendered yesterday with 12 officers, 29 men and 30 guns. He took the oath and returned to the mountains to secure more guns. Contreras, commanding in northeast Panay and Zulan, surrendered at Panay with 30 guns."

APPEAL TO CZAR.

Russian University Professors Plead for Greater Liberality.

St. Petersburg, March 30.—The publication of the petition of 28 professors to the Czar in an English paper has been the means of bringing it before the Czar, as the Czarina reads regularly the paper referred to. Eight professors of the St. Petersburg University, three of the Moscow University, three of the Mining Academy and five of the Engineering Institute, signed this appear, which was for more liberal university and political institutions. The present university statutes, which are probably to be revised, were adopted in 1883. The Liberals then predicted their failure.

Derangement of the liver, with constipation, injures the complexion, induce pimples, sallow skin. Remove the cause by using Carter's Little Liver Pills. One a dose. Try them.

GAS METRE EXPLODES.

Two Men Hurt in Vancouver by an Accident.

Vancouver, March 30.—(Special)—A large gas metre of sheet iron used in connection with a lighting plant at the gas works, exploded while being repaired at the shops of Barr & Anderson to-day. One of the proprietors, Mr. Anderson, was severely hurt, and fainted from nervous shock; while an employee named King was bruised by being thrown against the wall. The building was partially wrecked.

In the Supreme Court this morning, before Mr. Justice Irving, the estate of Oppenheimer Bros., recently assigned, was settled, the liquidator accepting the offer of purchase made by Isaac Oppenheimer of sixty cents on the dollar.

R. S. Dollar has announced that he will place the steamer J. S. Kimball on the route between here and Skagway on May 3, without a bonus, and will probably put one or two freight boats on besides.

A deputation from the Canners' Association go to Victoria to-morrow to interview the government in connection with matters affecting the salmon fishing industry in this province.

The Constable's Clever Trick

Provincial Officer McIndoo of Nanaimo Captures a Bunch of Prisoners

Leads Five Indians Into Ambush and One by One Arrests Them.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, March 30.—Provincial Constable Harry Macindoo made a sensational capture this evening when he arrested the proprietor of the Lansdowne brewery and five Indians, the former charged with supplying beer to the Indians and the latter with possessing the same.

Macindoo has been working on the case for many days. Early to-night he took up a favorable position amongst the bushes on the hill above the brewery with a powerful field-glass. He saw five Indians enter the brewery. After a considerable time one emerged, looked cautiously around, then came up the hill, where Macindoo was in ambush.

When he got near enough Macindoo ordered him to lie down behind a tree. Soon another Indian came out of the brewery, and when he came up the hill Macindoo ordered him also, in Chinook, to lie down. Shortly after three Indians came out, carrying packages containing bottled beer. In answer to the constable's whistle, they drew near and were immediately arrested.

Macindoo tied the bottles up in his rain coat and marched the whole gang, with the plunder, to jail. He then went back to the brewery and arrested the proprietor.

In the provincial police court to-night Magistrate Yarwood fined the proprietor one hundred dollars and costs and each Indian twenty-five dollars, in all, two hundred and forty dollars.

UNVEILED.

Monument to Frederick William and William the Great.

Berlin, March 30.—The monument in the Sieges-Alls to the Great Elector, Frederick William, and William the Great were unveiled this morning, in the presence of the Emperor and Empress, a number of princes, Count von Bulow and the generals. The French residents of Berlin placed a wreath at the foot of the monument of the Great Elector.

TEXAS STORM.

Great Damage in Dallas—Injury to Fruit Crop Feared.

Dallas, Texas, March 30.—It is estimated that the storm which swept Northern Texas yesterday caused losses in Dallas city and county alone of $75,000 to $100,000. The weather was cold to-day, and injury to fruit is feared. So far as known, no lives were lost in the storm.

Prinsloo Is Caught

Imperial Light Horse Capture Boer Commandant and a Convoy.

Englebrecht Another Leader Has Surrendered to the British Forces.

Eastern Transvaal Swept Clear of Everything Useful to the Enemy.

London, March 31.—A special despatch from Standerton says the Imperial Light Horse have captured Commandant Prinsloo and a convoy of 28 wagons.

Commandant Englebrecht, the despatch says, has surrendered.

The British are sweeping the Eastern Transvaal clear of everything useful to the Boers. All standing crops have been destroyed, but the women and children are being cared for. Five hundred of them have been conveyed to Utrecht, where their wants are well attended to.

A SENSATIONAL STORY.

Nanaimo, March 30.—Thorn Nettleton, of the Pretoria secret service, in his lecture on the Transvaal war to-night, said every soldier in South Africa was thoroughly aware of Gen. Kitchener's intense jealousy of Gen. French, and that if the latter were ordered to pick his men and bring Dewet in, he could do so. He mentioned numerous instances when French was hindered in the most unaccountable way by Kitchener.

Pretoria, March 30.—The Boers derailed and plundered a freight train near Johannesburg last night.

INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS.

Oxford and Cambridge Hope to Arrange Meeting With U. S. Colleges.

London, March 30.—A joint committee composed of Messrs. Workman and Davvson, representing the Cambridge Athletic Association, and Messrs. Jackson and Gray, representing Oxford University, met in London to-day and decided to consult with the representatives of Harvard and Yale universities, with the idea of bringing about in September the proposed meeting between the British and United States athletes. Nothing except this decision was agreed upon.

TO WARN VESSELS.

Wireless System of Electric Alarms Laid Before German Government.

Washington, March 30.—An automatic system of signals transmitted by wireless telegraphy for the purpose of warning vessels in stormy weather against the proximity of reefs and rocks, has been laid before German marine experts, according to a report to the state department from Consul-General Guenther, at Frankfort, Germany. The automatic part of the apparatus is said to consist of a wheel with a number of cogs arranged at suitable intervals, which slide over a Morse apparatus. This latter is connected with a ladder placed vertically on rising ground on shore or on a lighthouse. From the top of the ladder electric waves emanate, and are taken up by receiving apparatus on vessels having such, within a radius of seven miles. Bells sound on the ships and the receivers note the spot of danger.

WERRA ARRIVES.

Overdue North German Lloyd Steamer Reaches New York.

New York, March 30.—The North German Lloyd steamer Werra, which was reported overdue, arrived here this afternoon from Mediterranean ports. Capt. Polack reported that the Werra was compelled to call at Horta, Azores, on March 23, for coal, owing to being prevented from coaling at Gibraltar by a heavy gale. The passage was a rough one all through, northwest and southwest gales with high seas being encountered, which much retarded the speed of the steamer, but caused no damage.