

GEN. BOTHA NOW COMMANDS BOERS

Hero of Spion Kop Succeeds Gen. Joubert as General-in-Chief.

BRITISH LOSSES, 107 MEN.

10,000 Animals Lost - Lord Roberts Has Begun the Advance - Proclamation Credited to Kruger.

New York, March 31.—A dispatch to the Herald from Pretoria, says:

General Louis Botha has been appointed to succeed General Joubert as commander-in-chief of the Transvaal forces.

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London, March 31, 5:15 a. m.—The head of the army of Lord Roberts is now about twenty-one miles north of Bloemfontein. It occupies a cluster of hills won from the Boers after a stiff fight, in which the British lost seven officers and 107 men.

The Boers had been using these kopjes as a base for marauding bands that have been beating up the country adjacent to Bloemfontein for supplies, driving off cattle and forcing non-resident Free Staters into their ranks again.

Lord Roberts' progress to Pretoria will probably consist of such forward movements in which Boer positions will be attacked by a portion of the army advancing rapidly with wheel

transport, the main army coming up as the railway is repaired. The war office has issued the following from Lord Roberts to the secretary of war:

"Bloemfontein, March 30, 2:25 p. m.—Owing to the activity of the enemy on our immediate front and their hostile action toward burghers who surrender, I found it necessary to drive them from some kopjes they had occupied near the Karee siding station, a few miles south of Brandfort. The operation was successfully carried out by the seventh division, assisted by the first and third cavalry brigades under French and Le Gallais' regiment of mounted infantry. The enemy retreated to Brandfort and our troops now hold the kopjes.

"Our casualties were: Killed, Capt. Going, Scottish Borderers. Wounded, Capt. Sellar, Luard, Peebles, Curgenven and Edwards. Lights, Coulter and French and about 100 rank and file.

HEAVY LOSS OF ANIMALS.

Lord Roberts is stripping the forces in the minor spheres of operations of their wagons and transport animals in order to hasten in advance. This is understood to be the reason why he recalled Lord Methuen from Barkley West to Kimberley. Lord Roberts has to have Methuen's transports.

The reason why a hot chase was not made after Commandant Olivier is that Lord Roberts did not wish to wear out the cavalry transport. Gen. French lost 3,000 horses in the relief of Kimberley and the pursuit of Gen. Cronje. Lord Roberts lost 3,000 transport cattle at Waterval Drift, and it is estimated that he has lost 4,000 other animals since the forward movement began on February 19th.

The advance beyond Bloemfontein is through a bare country and the supply officers foresee an increasing difficulty in providing for a great army moving along a single line of railway, even when the latter is working smoothly and with ample rolling stock. The Canadian mounted rifles were part of the force that occupied Kenhardt yesterday.

CONDITIONS IN CAPE COLONY.

The rebellion throughout the north-west districts of Cape Colony is almost suppressed.

The Goth will sail today (Saturday) with 600 men for St. Helena to guard Gen. Cronje and 4,000 prisoners. The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post, telegraphing Thursday, says: "Lord Kitchener and his

"77" Breaks up COLDS Grip-Infuenza.

The use of "Seventy-seven" and a little common sense will carry you through the Spring without illness. Before laying aside "77" for the season, investigate the other Specifics, made by Dr. Humphreys, by asking your druggist or sending for a free copy of The Specific Manual; a chapter on Diseases of Children.

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staff crossed the temporary bridge at Norvalspont last night. He had 3,000 men under his command, and he left 700 at Prienka. He considers the rebellion crushed, although the fire may smoulder for some time."

KRUGER'S PROCLAMATION.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Daily Chronicle, telegraphing Thursday, March 29th, says: "President Kruger's latest proclamation warns the women and children to leave Bloemfontein within five days, as he intends to bombard and destroy the city and shoot the burghers whom he captures there."

"Vigorous measures have been taken by the British to harass marauding bands of Transvaal Boers. The latter are resorting to guerilla methods, chiefly against Free Staters who refuse to join Kruger."

Mr. Spencer Wilkinson, dealing with the military situation in his article in the Morning Post today, says: "The engagement which Lord Roberts reports could not have been very serious. The importance of the action lies in the fact that the Boers will probably for

some time be shy of approaching British outposts. It would be rash to say that Lord Roberts is not about to advance immediately. The date of the advance will be secret, so as to prevent the enemy learning of it. Presumably Lord Kitchener is now at Bloemfontein, and this may be taken as an indication of the imminence of the advance."

WINSTON CHURCHILL'S PROTEST.

Mr. Winston Churchill, in a long dispatch from Durban, expresses regret that the Morning Post does not support his views as to the treatment of rebels. He says he desires to give a full explanation of his views hereafter, but will not again allude to the subject in the columns of the Morning Post. He protests, however, to say that Sir Redvers Buller and most of the officers of distinction share his views and then adds:

"It is strange that officers in the field should hold more tolerant views than prevail at home. However, it is not, perhaps, the first time that victorious gladiators have been surprised to see thumbs turned down in the imperial box." He protests against the "spirit of vengeance, which can only delay the attainment of peace," adding:

"Beware of driving me to desperation. Even a cornered rat is dangerous. We desire speedy peace. The last thing we want is that the war should enter the guerilla phase. Those who demand an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth should ask themselves whether such bloody partisan warfare."

BENEFIT OF THE BRITISH.

Chicago, March 31.—The second demonstration and entertainment for the benefit of the widows and orphans of the British soldiers and sailors who have fallen or may fall in the Transvaal war and the distribution of literature bearing on the South African question will be held at Central Music Hall tonight, under the auspices of the Sons and Daughters of the British Empire. An interesting program has been prepared.

At a meeting last night of the committee of the Sons and Daughters of the British Empire, which has charge of the demonstration, it was reported that all the tickets had been sold and the standing room all taken.

As a result, it was decided to supplement the affair of tonight with another to be held at Central Music Hall, April 7th. It is expected to realize from the two entertainments more than \$4,000 for the relief of the widows and or-

phans of British soldiers who have fallen in the present conflict.

TO SEE THE ECLIPSE.

Big Preparations Being Made - Circular of Instructions.

Chicago, March 31.—A special to the Tribune from Williams Bay, Wis., says:

The eclipse committee of the astronomical and astrophysical society of America issued today a circular letter to all astronomers who are intending to make systematic observations of the total solar eclipse on May 28. This letter solicits co-operation on the part of all observers, that the best possible results may be obtained.

No eclipse was ever prepared for as carefully as this. The eclipse committee is perfecting a thorough organization, so that all phases and different branches of work will receive attention.

A party will go from Lick observatory to some Georgia point for the purpose of photographing the corona. A party from the Smithsonian Institute will search for bright lines in the infrared spectrum of the corona, while a party from the British Astronomical association will probably be located at Wadesboro, N. C., for general observations. Prof. Cross of Northwestern University will photograph the spectrum of the chromosphere, while Prof. Upton of Brown University will make both visual and photopic observations.

A party from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology will give special attention to the time of contacts, and a party from Johns Hopkins University will photograph the spectrum of the chromosphere with spectroscopes of a great power. Prof. W. H. Pickering of Harvard college observatory will search for an intra-mercurial planet, and expeditions will be sent from the United States naval observatory, the Goodwill and Flower observatories, the University of Virginia and several other institutions. There will be no other total eclipse in this country until 1918.

Wants an Injunction.

New York, March 31.—The Compagnie Generale Trans-Atlantique (The French Line), has through its counsel, commenced proceedings in the United States district court to limit its liability and to restrain by injunction the numerous actions that have been brought in various parts of the United States to recover damages for loss of

life and other injuries grown out of the disaster to the steamship La Bourgeois in 1898.

The contention is that the officers of the La Bourgeois were themselves blameless for the collision with the Cromartyshire and that there is no just cause for action. If there were, however, it is contended, the liability of the company is limited to the value of the ship, and her freight, which were lost.

Judge Addison Brown signed injunctions against the suits pending and granted the relief asked for. The suits which are pending against the company involve an amount aggregating over \$1,150,000.

Follower of Father Damien.

Portland, Ore., March 31.—Father L. L. Conrady, a priest well known on the Pacific coast, now 60 years of age, announces that he will leave in a short time for Canton, China, for the purpose of working among the leper colony in the province of Canton, where it is said there are many thousands of these wretched beings.

In order to better equip himself for the work Father Conrady took a course in medicine and he has just been given the degree of M. D. by the medical department of the University of Oregon.

Father Conrady is not a stranger to the leper, as he spent eight years at Molokai, in the Hawaiian group, where more than a thousand lepers are confined, taking full charge of the colony after Father Damien succumbed to leprosy.

Bad Effect on Kentucky.

New York, March 31.—Col. Roger D. Williams of Lexington, a senior commanding officer of the Second Kentucky infantry, who was in command of the State militia at the time of Senator Goebel's assassination at Frankfort, arrived here last night on his way to Cairo, Egypt.

"While it has been intimated," he said, "that my going abroad at this time is for the purpose of dodging any unpleasantness which may result from the trouble in Kentucky, I wish to state that my passage to Egypt was arranged before Senator Goebel was killed and before any thought of trouble was anticipated in my State. Personally I am not sure that there will not be more trouble in Kentucky, but I hope that such will not be the case. The bloodshed and strife which have occurred in Kentucky have had a very bad effect on business affairs in every city and town."

GIVES SATISFACTION.

A Certain Cure for Piles.

The Pyramid Pile Cure is a success because it has the merit which brings success. It cures every form of piles and cures them to stay cured. It is now the most popular and best known remedy before the public, and one cause it has taken the place of surgical operations, once considered the only cure.

People often wonder that so simple a remedy will so promptly cure such an obstinate trouble as piles are such known to be. Yet the greatest remedies are the simplest, and the fact that it does cure is all the sufferer from piles wants to know.

The Pyramid Pile Cure cures piles in any stage of the disease as shown by the following testimonial letters which are published every week and new cases reported each time:

From Geo. C. Gieck, Owens Mill, Mo.: "Some time ago I bought a package of Pyramid Pile Cure for my wife who had suffered very much. The first trial did her more good than anything she had ever tried. It is just as representative."

From Richard Leon Whipple, Ohio: "I have used the Pyramid and am entirely pleased and satisfied with results. It does the work and no mistake."

Mr. W. H. Hines, of Magnolia, Ark., says: "Although I have used the Pyramid Pile Cure only a very short time, yet it has been very beneficial to me."

From Mrs. Peter Lake, Mohawk, N. Y.: "I received the Pyramid Pile Cure, but put off using it until last week, when I became so bad I decided to try it. I have suffered twenty-nine years with bleeding piles and have used a great deal of medicine, but never had anything that did so much for me as your remedy."

The proprietors of this remedy could publish columns of similar letters to the above if necessary, but these are enough to show what it will do in different cases. The Pyramid Pile Cure is prepared by the Pyramid Drug Co., of Marshall, Mich., and for sale by druggists everywhere at 50 cents per package. One package is sufficient to cure any ordinary case. Your druggist will tell you more about it.

OUR NEW STORE.

One thousand pieces New Wash Dress Goods at popular prices. R. C. THOMAS DRY GOODS CO.

Advertisement for L. & A. COHN, 222-224 MAIN ST., featuring 'SPRING BEAUTIES' and 'MATCHLESS PRICES'.

Advertisement for Dress Goods and Silks For Easter Gowns, listing various styles and prices.

Advertisement for Suits and Skirts, featuring 'HERE ARE FOUR ITEMS IN SUITS, SELECTED NOT FOR THE LITTLENESS IN PRICE'.

Advertisement for Capes and Jackets, listing 'Ladies' Capes of Black Silk' and 'Great Petticoat Sale'.

Advertisement for WASH GOODS, listing 'MUSLIN DE SOIE', 'SILK GINGHAMS', and 'Scotch Zephyr Gingham'.

Advertisement for GREAT APRIL SALE OF LINENS, listing 'GERMAN TABLE LINENS', 'HUCK TOWELS', and 'Turkish Wash Rags'.

Advertisement for Black & Colored Silks, listing 'Black Satin Duchess' and 'Splendid grade Black Peau De Soie'.

Advertisement for The New Dress Skirts, listing 'This week we will sell a swell Taffeta Silk Dress Skirt'.

Advertisement for Silk Waist Sale, listing 'COMPARE OUR PRICE WITH ANY OTHERS'.

Advertisement for KNIT GOODS, listing 'Women's Spring weight vests' and 'Boys' natural color, ribbed vests'.

Advertisement for Children's Wear, listing 'SPECIAL SALE OF APPAREL FOR BABIES AND CHILDREN'.

Advertisement for Children's Jackets, listing 'Colors, Navy, Red and Brown and Checked Cheviot'.

Advertisement for New Spring Kid Gloves, listing 'NEWPORT—An imported French Kid Glove'.

Advertisement for April Sale of Lace Curtains, Bed Sets and Portiers, listing 'Notwithstanding the fact that everything pertaining to curtains and upholstery has advanced from 25 to 50 per cent'.

Advertisement for HOSIERY, listing 'For women and children, in intermediate and light weights'.

Advertisement for PORTIERS AND BED SETS, listing 'PORTIERS of Tapestry, extra width, fringed top and bottom'.