

## MEDIATION IS ASKED BY BOERS

President McKinley Will Not Act  
Unless England Requests It.

### TALE OF RUNAWAY TRAIN.

How It Got from a British to a Boer  
Camp—Boer Retreat Cut Off—  
News from Kimberley.

New York, Jan. 4.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: There is reason to believe that the Transvaal government has only recently requested this government to use its good offices to bring an end to its war with Great Britain. The proposition came through the American consul at Pretoria. No answer has been given by the state department, and unless Great Britain intimates that she is desirous of the President exercising his good offices, there is no reason to believe that he will comply with the Boer request. It is to be expected that a reply will be made acknowledging the receipt of the consul's presentation, which he will transmit to State Secretary Reitz, but this probably is as far as the government will care to go at this time.

It can be stated on authority that there is no intention on the part of the administration to depart from its policy of non-interference unless requests for mediation are received simultaneously from Great Britain and the Transvaal. Just before the outbreak of hostilities the Boer government appealed to the President to use his influence with Great Britain to avert the war, but the President declined to interfere, and nothing has occurred to change his determination.

In certain quarters there is a disposition to urge American mediation, on the ground that under the treaty of the Hague conference the United States could extend its mediation to Great Britain without offending that power. In answer to this suggestion it is said, first, that the United States has not yet become a party to the convention, because it has not yet been ratified by the Senate and, second, the American delegates representing the United States at the conference guarded the historic position of the United States by the declaration that nothing contained in the convention should be construed as to require this government to depart from its policy of not interfering with foreign questions. It is stated that the movements initiated by Europeans to obtain the mediation of this government will be fruitless of results, unless, as stated, they first induce Great Britain to intimate to this government her willingness to accept the exercise of the President's good offices.

A dispatch to the Herald from Naauwpoort says: An extraordinary occurrence took place last night. A number of trucks, loaded with food stuffs, got loose and ran away from the Boer camp. The Boers decided to follow the trucks at great speed. Further down there was a broken culvert commanded by Boer guns. Three trucks crossed the culvert and ran over the line, marvelous to say. Others fell over, while some remained on this side. The engine driver of the train attempted to rescue it, but was shelled by the Boers and obliged to retreat.

A train was sent to rescue the goods in the wrecked train, escorted by a cavalry company of the Suffolks, but when it reached Plevians Sliding it was subjected to a terrific shell fire from a Hotchkiss and a big gun and was forced to retreat. An attempt will probably be made to destroy the bridge. We command Norvalspont bridge with two guns and also the Colesberg road bridge. The Boers have no way of retreat except by way of Swartburg. Big developments are expected.

A Kimberley dispatch to the Herald says: The De Beers company has decided not to pay a dividend, but to husband their resources, owing to the complete stoppage of work. Native rumors are current to the effect that the Bechuana have risen against the Boers and have captured two guns.

The enemy remain quiescent. Pains are being taken by the enemy to conceal their losses in the recent battles. Boshoff is said to be full of wounded men and at Jacobdahl there are at least two hundred and fifty. There is a field hospital, containing another hundred attached to the camp at Olifantsdam.

In view of the probable prolongation of the siege, steps are being taken by the military authorities to ration in all the inhabitants. The medical officers say that apart from waste by war, the death rate is not exceptionally high for the time of the year.

**Sunk in Collision.**  
Boston, Mass., Jan. 3.—The United States quartermaster's tug Resolute, Capt. George Loring, was sunk in the harbor early tonight in a collision with the steel ocean tug Swatara. All on board were believed to have been saved except Henry Ottobine, who had not been found at a late hour tonight. The Resolute filled and sank almost at once. Among the twenty-one persons on board at the time of the collision were Capt. Brown, Second artillery, stationed at Fort Warren; and Lieut. Hatch, Fourth artillery; Mrs. Hatch and Miss Hatch.

**Shareholders in National Banks.**  
Chicago, Jan. 3.—A new point under the statute which holds a shareholder in a national bank liable for assessment on the stock, is made in a decision handed down in the United States circuit court of appeals by Judges Woods, Bunn and Allen. The ruling was on the appeal of E. T. Wilson, receiver of the First National bank of Helena, against the Merchants' Loan and Trust company of Chicago, and the Judges affirm the decree of the lower court, which absolved the Trust company from liability.

The original action was begun in the United States circuit court by the receiver of the First National bank of Helena, who sought to recover an assessment of \$100 a share on 129 shares of the stock of the institution. April 15, 1893, Shirley C. Ashley, president of the Helena National bank, borrowed of the Trust company \$12,000, and gave as collateral security certificates for 150 shares of the capital stock of the bank. In the following July, Ashley resigned and resigned the presidency of the bank, being succeeded by E. D. Edgerston. In April, 1895, the Helena National bank was consolidated with the First National bank of that city and an allowance of 50 per cent on their stock was granted to shareholders of the former bank. By this arrangement the 150 shares of Ashley were converted into 129 shares, though it was claimed this was done by the Trust company without his consent. The court holds



### HOW BULLER AND JOUBERT ARE OPPOSING ONE ANOTHER AT THE TUGELA RIVER.

that it is not shown that this conversion was not effected by the authority of Ashley.

#### Fatal Shooting at Phenix.

Phenix, Ariz., Jan. 4.—Robert Bradshaw is dead from gunshot wounds inflicted by Walter Adams. The shooting was the sequel of a quarrel a couple of years ago in New Mexico over labor troubles.

#### War Supplies for Britain.

New York, Jan. 4.—The S. S. Sabine, Captain Thomas, will leave this port this morning bound for Delagoa Bay with a miscellaneous cargo, and, although no definite information could be obtained from her commander, it is believed that she has on board an immense quantity of provisions, arms and ammunition, army blankets and general supplies for the British army in the Transvaal.

A rumor to the effect that the Norwegian steamship Thorids had been chartered by Edward Perry & Co., through Bennett, Walsh & Co., to carry munitions of war to the British army in South Africa was denied by both Mr. Perry and Captain Bennett. "There is absolutely no truth in the rumor," said Mr. Perry. "We have chartered the Thorids for our regular trade, which is exclusively with China and Japan, and will not carry any supplies of any description to either army." Inquiry at the British consulate failed to throw any light on the destination of either the Sabine or the Thorids.

#### Bookkeeper Disappears.

Chicago, Jan. 4.—Charles A. Tracy, confidential bookkeeper for E. P. Pagley & Co., marble dealers, has disappeared. Neither the wife of the missing man, nor the employees can give a reason for Tracy's disappearance. On Sunday afternoon, December 10th, Tracy disappeared from the house of C. A. Townsend, Townsend and his wife are bookkeepers and as an expert accountant Tracy had been assisting Townsend and had worked with him on the Sunday afternoon preceding his disappearance. According to Mrs. Townsend's statement Tracy came to the house at 3 o'clock, worked with her husband over the books until 4:15 and then started for home, walking east toward the Cottage Grove avenue cars. Since that hour, the bookkeeper has not been seen in Chicago.

For a year Tracy has been troubled with exhausted nerves. At the office of the marble firm Mr. Bagley said Tracy's books and accounts were in perfect condition, and he could not account for the bookkeeper's disappearance.

Mrs. Tracy is a daughter of David Hardie, of Philadelphia, who, in his death ten years ago, was chief engineer in the United States navy and a full cousin of Admiral Schley. She was married to Mr. Tracy in Philadelphia, on November 30, 1888.

## Dr. Pierce's FAVORITE Prescription



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### ORDERS BY GOV. R. P. LEARY

Their Style Shows that the Captain Would  
Make a Great Autocrat.

There is Good in Most of Them,  
However, and All Aim to Benefit  
the Ladrone Islanders.

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 4.—Captain Peter Leary, U. S. A., stationed at Fort McHenry, has received a letter from his brother, Captain Richard P. Leary, governor of Guam, in the Ladrone islands, which contained a number of interesting documents pertaining to the affairs of the new possessions of the United States. The first Thanksgiving proclamation ever seen by the inhabitants of Guam was issued by Governor Leary and follows:

"Whereas, it hath pleased Almighty God in His divine providence, to grant to us during the past year continuance of His good will and unbounded love, as exemplified of His bestowal of the countless blessings of health, happiness, peace, prosperity, protection and freedom of religious worship, exemption from the arrogant and tyrannical domination of unworthy preceptors, and in the enjoyment of other unceasing blessings, it is proper that a special day be set aside as a day of thanksgiving and prayer to our supreme Benefactor for all these gifts:

"Therefore, in conformity with the time-honored custom of the United States government, I, Richard P. Leary, captain United States navy, governor of the island of Guam, do hereby appoint and set aside Thursday, November 30, 1899, as a day of Thanksgiving and prayer, and all persons in this island are recommended to abstain from unnecessary work on that day and to assemble in their respective places of worship at such times as may be convenient to give thanks and praise to Almighty God for His merciful goodness and loving kindness to us, and all men."

Governor Leary has already caused slavery to be abolished in the islands, compelling a number of slaves to leave the place, and has amended the marriage laws in regard to polygamy. One of his recent orders states that it is prohibited to import or sell intoxicating liquors in the island except by a special license issued by the government, and that violation of the order will be punished by a fine of \$100 or imprisonment for thirty days or both. For a second offense, all of the offender's goods may be confiscated. "Drunkards," says the order, "is the chief source of all crime and trouble in this island, and must and shall cease."

A second order says: "Public celebrations of government interests and as a safeguard against the machinations, devices and schemes of speculators and adventures, it is hereby ordered that all persons who claim ownership of land in this island, or its dependencies, are prohibited from selling or transferring any portion of such property without first obtaining the consent of the government. Violation of this order may be punished by fine or imprisonment or both."

Captain Leary states that he is making every effort to teach the natives to be self-supporting. An order issued to further this idea, follows: "Until otherwise ordered, the exportation of hogs, cattle, fowl, eggs, rice, corn and sweet potatoes from this island is hereby forbidden. Articles of food may be delivered to vessels in sufficient quantities for the subsistence of those on board during their stay in port and their passage to the next port of destination. The delivery of such articles of food to ships is prohibited without a government license."

In consequence of the liability of riots, the following order was issued: "Public celebrations of the feast days of the patron saints of villages will not be permitted. The church and its members may celebrate their feast days within the walls of the church, chapel or private residences in accordance with the regulations for the maintenance of public peace, and unless otherwise ordered, the only public holidays recognized will be Sunday, and the holidays authorized by the United States statute laws and by proclamations of his excellency, the President of the United States."

#### Asphyxiated by Gas.

New York, Jan. 3.—The dead bodies of George F. Gallacher, a special policeman, and Nellie Walsh were found today in a Second Avenue apartment occupied by them. They had been asphyxiated by gas, turned on by them during a New Year's carousal. Five members of the family of Julius Guttenberg, a real estate dealer living in One Hundred and Twenty-first street, were snatched from death today. They were Mrs. Mary Guttenberg, four children, Dora aged 3, Pearl aged 2, Ruth 5 months old, and her mother, Mrs. Dora Dremann. When the doors of their apartment were broken in, the five persons were discovered in an unconscious condition. The gas jet in

the dining room was found open, and the tube attached to a small gas heater in the same room was detached. The fact that both were open led to the suspicion of attempted suicide.

The five were hurried to the Harlem hospital, and as yet neither of the women has been able to give an account of the affair. The father of the family said that it could have been nothing but an accident.

The bodies of the two men found asphyxiated by gas in a room on Twenty-fourth street last night have been identified as those of Wiro Walpuski, son of a wealthy manufacturer of Morocco jewel cases, and a window-cleaner with whom he had been living. It is believed the men committed suicide.

#### Terrific Powder Explosion.

Lake Linden, Mich., Jan. 3.—Last night buildings in this city were shaken as the result of an explosion of eleven tons of powder, which occurred nearly twenty miles distant, near Eagle River. Today it was learned that two sleighloads of black powder, eleven tons, had been in some unknown manner exploded. Two men Joseph St. Louis and Joseph Panamerston, and four horses were blown to atoms. The powder was valued at \$2,000, and was the property of Richard Blight, proprietor of a fuse factory in Eagle River.

#### Christianized Chinese to Marry.

Philadelphia, Jan. 3.—The first marriage in this country of a Christianized Chinese couple will take place here next week. The fact that the prospective bride and groom have never seen each other tends additional interest to the event. The future husband is Wung John, the proprietor of a Chinese restaurant in this city, and his fiancée is Su Ting Fu, who is now on her way to Philadelphia from San Francisco, where she was a pupil in the Presbyterian school for Chinese girls.

Some time ago Wung John applied to the Rev. Frederick Pool, in charge of the Chinese mission here, with the request that the latter endeavor to secure a wife for him. Mr. Pool went to San Francisco and selected Su Ting Fu, she and Wung John exchanged photographs, and the engagement was made by mail.

Wung John forwarded \$200 to his affianced wife, with which to purchase a new wedding gown, and pay her expenses to this city.

#### WARNINGS TO STOCKMEN.

Utah and Other Western States to be Told of Coming Storms.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 3.—The National Live-Stock association, with the assistance of W. R. Brandour, resident bureau observer at Denver, has just secured an order which is important to the livestock men of the West. A letter received by the secretary of the association says:

"Pursuant to our understanding, in the interests of the livestock men, I took up the matter in relation to the change in the regulations governing the future of special warnings and I am pleased to say that Prof. Willis L. Moore, chief of the weather bureau, has issued instructions to the effect that emergency or special warnings be issued when prolonged spells of abnormally cold weather, high northerly winds, with snow, or heavy falls of snow, are indicated for any section, and that special warnings also be issued when unreasonable or abnormally heavy rains are indicated for any section."

"Heretofore these warnings have been restricted to a few settled points in each State. It is therefore very gratifying to know that in the future telegrams conveying information of the above described character will be sent to no fewer than 162 points in Colorado and proportionate number of points in Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Utah, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas and Texas."

#### \* TESTING QUAY'S STRENGTH.

A Vote that May Result in His Appointment Being Withdrawn.

New York, Jan. 4.—A special to the Herald from Washington says: An opportunity is to be afforded to test the full strength of former Senator Quay in the Senate without direct vote on the question of seating him. This will come some time next week when the committee on privileges and elections reports his case back to the Senate. There will be two reports, one signed by Senators Burrows, Caffery, Pettus, Turley and Harris, against seating Senator Quay, and another, signed by Senators Chandler, Hoar, Pritchard and Spooner, in his favor.

When these reports are submitted a motion will be made by Senator Chandler to proceed to the immediate consideration of the case. The question of the right of a senator to a seat being one of the highest privileges, it is competent for Mr. Quay's friends to insist upon immediate consideration. They are anxious to have a test made of his full strength, and believe the result can be accomplished by a vote on this question.

Should a majority prefer to continue with the currency bill, it is not improbable that Senator Quay may conclude to have his appointment withdrawn.

## GOVERNOR WHO TELLS FALSEHOODS

Mississippi Executive Says Mor-  
mons Teach Polygamy Privately.

DENOUNCES THE PEOPLE.

Wants Law to Stop the Preaching of  
Mormon Missionaries—That Gov-  
ernor Goes Out of Office.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 3.—The reading of Gov. McLaurin's message in the legislature today created quite a surprise, when the section referring to the growth of "Mormonism" in Mississippi was reached. The governor denounced the "Mormon" sect in scathing terms, and recommended the adoption of laws that will prevent the teaching of the doctrine in the State. During the discussion of the question the retiring governor said:

"There is no threatened danger to the State more baneful than the lecherous teaching of the 'Mormon' apostles of polygamy. It is more dangerous because it is taught under the guise of the ministry of the gospel. The 'Mormons' disclaim the open teachings of polygamy in the pulpit, but they teach it in the corner, and the minister's cloak gives potency to their speech."

#### McLaurin for U. S. Senator.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 3.—The Democratic caucus here tonight unanimously nominated ex-Governor McLaurin for the long term United States senatorship.

#### Preventing Texas Fever.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 4.—Recent successful experiments in the inoculation of calves and yearlings as a preventative against Texas fever are to be followed by an experiment on a large scale.

There will be shipped tomorrow from Kansas City to Beeville, Tex., 100 purebred Hereford and Shorthorn calves, selected from the best herds of the country. The Texas State board of agriculture has for two years been preparing for the reception of these animals, having set apart and fenced off a ranch of ten thousand acres, on which not a hoof had been allowed for two years, so that it is wholly free from any germs of Texas fever, owing to the action of the frosts of two winters.

On this ranch the northern calves will be inoculated with the poison of the fever ticks in such a manner as to bring on the disease in mild form, and will then be allowed to run and become immune to the Texas fever, after which they may be generally introduced into the herds of Texas. The shipping of high-priced northern cattle south of the fever line has heretofore caused heavy losses, as the mature animals have been continually liable to the disease.

Mr. T. F. B. Sotham, president of the National Hereford Cattle-Breeders' association, is a leader in the present experiment, and the 100 Hereford and Shorthorn calves to be shipped today have been gathered from prize herds in the States of Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, and Indiana. The 100 calves are valued by Mr. Sotham at \$30,000.

#### Dr. McGlynn Ill.

Newburg, N. Y., Jan. 4.—The Rev. Dr. Edward McGlynn, pastor of St. Mary's Roman Catholic church in this city, is still confined to his room by illness and his condition is such as to cause alarm among his large circle of acquaintances. McGlynn, who has been taken ill, but there was every sign of an early recovery and the physicians said he would be himself in ten days.

But he continued to lose flesh and strength daily. His once tall and robust frame is now emaciated and he is now scarcely recognizable even by close friends. It has just become public that he has a mysterious growth on the right hip, and its appearance has baffled his physicians. It is eating its way in his system and robbing him of his vitality and strength.

#### No Change for Sampson and Schley.

New York, Jan. 4.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

As a result of the conferences held at the White House between the President, Secretary Long and the captains of the Santiago fleet, no action will be taken contemplating the advancement of either Rear Admiral Sampson or Rear Admiral Schley. Nor will a court of inquiry be appointed unless an official request should be received from Admiral Schley, who is now at Buenos Ayres.

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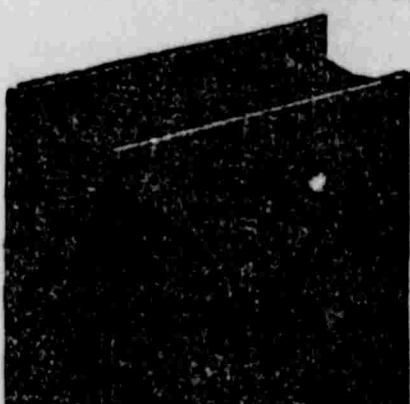
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