

BRITISH ARMY IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Nearly 100,000 Now There, 30,000 Being Moved in That Direction.

OTHER FORCES AVAILABLE.

The Army that can be Thrown Against the Boer Republics—Starting the Ladysmith Story.

New York, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the World from London says:

Of the army of Great Britain 75,000 men are now in South Africa.

This is exclusive of all the colonial forces raised there and in Canada and Australia, which are estimated to number 20,000.

The fifth division, comprising 10,000 men, is now embarking or ready to embark.

The sixth division, also of 10,000 men, is mobilizing.

Orders for the seventh division of 10,000 men to be mobilized have just been received.

A total of the reserve this year, according to the preliminary estimate, is 40,000. When all the above force is at the front or mobilized, 40,000 of the regulars will have been exhausted.

The remainder of the British regular army establishment 121,000 men. Of these 45,000 are in Egypt, and in the Mediterranean and other British garrisons throughout the world.

Since the start of the war office figures show 112,000 militia. These are men who have one month's training each year through regimental staffs, and are called for service only at home.

Next come 225,000 volunteers, with some regular army officers serving with them in all respects to the regulars of the United States.

The regular force in India, exclusive of all above the figures, was in July last, 75,000. Of these only 8,000 have been sent to South Africa.

A dispatch to the Herald from London says:

The rumor of the relief of Ladysmith caused a scene of tremendous excitement on the stock exchange, where the effect of Gatacre's and Methuen's reverses had been felt most severely.

The report first began to be circulated on the 11th inst. that Buller and Buller had relieved Ladysmith and taken 10,000 prisoners. Later on it was freely stated that a private telegram received in Edinburgh announced that Gen. Buller had indicated a decisive defeat on the 11th.

This caused a wild outbreak of enthusiasm. The brokers yelled, flogging their hands but the air was so filled with a tone of jubilation, but a little while, as a news agency was officially informed that the war office had received no information from the department in London.

It was reported that the report was gotten up by a dispatch which was endeavoring to stop a slump in South African shares.

STOP FILIPINO MURDERS.

Measures to be Taken—Lieut. Bason—Lawton's Progress.

New York, Dec. 15.—A special to the Times from Washington says: At the War Department it is learned that an order has been sent to Manila directing the military officers there to adopt a course that will render unsafe to the Filipinos the continuation of cruel acts against the natives who have disobeyed the instructions of the insurgent leaders.

Many have been killed or maimed by the insurgents for their refusal to give further aid to the rebellion.

The assumption at the department is that Aguinaldo, since the dispersal of his army and the apparent futility of attempting to recognize it for military purposes, has determined to lead a "wild" life.

It is believed that the rebellion is justly wiped out; that there are only small bodies of Filipino insurgents left with arms in their possession; that they are far from points scouted by the United States troops, and that they will follow the lives of outlaws until caught red-handed in attempts to kill careless troopers, who may fancy they are in secure neighborhoods.

Late reports from the Philippines inform the department that the following names of men who have been committing barbarous acts were evidently obeying instructions in disregarding laws of truce, using flags to mislead and expose American troops, and generally conducting themselves in a way to forfeit the continuance of negotiations against them as if they were controlled by the rules of civilized warfare.

In order to protect and encourage non-combatant natives who are reported to be in constant danger, military officers are to be expected to adopt severe measures to discourage assassination and brigandage.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Gen. Otis called the war office today as follows: "Manila, Dec. 14.—Lieut. Batson, Fourth cavalry, organized four large companies of mounted scouts, had a large force of his troops and attended to the cavalry, northwest Luzon, Bason leading with conspicuous gallantry in several hard-fought engagements. November 24th severely wounded in foot amputation probably necessary. Can be not receive majority in some staff corps as reward for efficient service."

Manila, Dec. 14.—Gen. Lawton reports Bataan province freed of insurgents yesterday. Troops of Fourth cavalry captured strong mountain position, Sinalabang, with food supplies, clothing, cartridge factories and barracks. McArthur's troops occupied Luzon and southwestern coast of Luzon; slight opposition and few light casualties.

"Eighth inst. Bates reported from Zamboanga that he had garrisoned Bataan and is sending troops to Cotabato and Davao; that condition of affairs is satisfactory.

"Eighteen hundred Spanish prisoners received in Manila; over 2,000 more en route; 1,200 shipped to Manila 16th inst. These prisoners much better physical condition than Spanish prisoners captured in Manila capitulated."

Gen. Wood is satisfactory.

New York, Dec. 15.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana says: "Wood's appointment as military governor of Cuba is received, and it appears to be a satisfactory one."

The better classes regard it with favor, as a step toward a harmonious reconciliation.

No special significance is given to this reference to possible annexation. Your correspondent talked with representatives of all factions, and they are in favor of approving further progress toward the annexation of Cuba.

Gen. Wood numbers among his friends some of the most radical partisans of independence.

Notwithstanding the Washington

Crippled by Rheumatism.

Those who have Rheumatism find themselves growing steadily worse all the while. One reason of this is that the remedies prescribed by the doctors contain potash, which ultimately intensifies the disease by causing the joints to swell and stiffen, producing a severe aching of the bones. S. S. S. has been curing Rheumatism for twenty years—even the worst cases which seemed almost incurable.

Capt. O. E. Hughes, the popular railroad conductor of Columbia, S. C., had an experience with Rheumatism which convinced him that there is only one cure for that painful disease. He says: "I was a great sufferer from my regular Rheumatism for two years. I could not get any relief from any medicine prescribed by my physician. I took S. S. S. and in a few days I was able to get on my feet. I am now as well as I ever was, and I can assure you that your medicine cured me and I would recommend it to anyone suffering from any blood disease."

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statements that the department commanders will be invited to remain and to operate with Gen. Wood, the belief among army men in Cuba is that the stay of the army officers in Cuba will be of short duration.

Gen. Wilson, in Matanzas, has been most emphatic in forecasting his inability to serve under Gen. Wood, and his request is believed to be looked for at an early date. Members of Gen. Brooke's Cuban cabinet presented resignations this morning, but at Gen. Brooke's request withheld them temporarily.

AN "OLD TIMES" CONCERT

Unique and Interesting Social Function at the Congregational Church.

One of the most unique and successful entertainments of the season was given last night at the Congregational church.

The event was an "old times" concert, and old songs, old-fashioned tunes, and quaint tableaux, representing scenes of the long ago, made up an entertainment which kept the large audience in a furor of applause throughout the evening.

BIG DEMAND FOR CORN.

Pacific Feed Mills Orders Ten Thousand Bushels from Nebraska.

The high price and scarcity of oats and other local feed-stuffs all compelling Utah feeders to send East for corn with which to fatten their cattle and sheep for the winter market.

NO USE FOR PRESERVATIVE.

Since the solid, good sense of Kansas dairymen has tabooed the use of preservatives in milk or butter that State has been making good and substantial progress in building up its dairy industry.

YOUNG LADIES AID SOCIETY.

Following is the report of disbursements of the Young Ladies' Aid Society during the month of November:

Table with financial data for the Young Ladies' Aid Society, including items like Rent, Groceries, and Merchandise.

THE ARMSTRONG ESTATE.

Official Report of the Appraisers Filed in Court.

Return Total Places the Value of Property at Nearly the Third of a Million.

An inventory and appraisement of the property left by the late Francis Armstrong has been completed by Thomas W. Jennings, John K. Winder Jr., and Frank J. Moyle, and was today filed in the probate division of the Third district court. The verified total of decedent's estate is \$311,453.40. The filing tax paid the county clerk amounted to \$65, said to be largest fee on estate tax ever collected in Utah.

MEETING OF POULTRY MEN.

The Utah Poultry association will hold a meeting tonight, on the fourth floor of the city and county building.

AMUSEMENTS.

Considering that the Pudd'nhead Wilson company was on its third visit to Salt Lake, the audience which assembled to greet it at the Theater last night must be taken as a handsome tribute to its popularity.

WARD ENTERTAINMENTS.

The Primary association of the Twenty-first ward gave a very interesting entertainment last evening.

SHORTENING THE LINE.

Union Pacific Building a Cut Off from Leroy to Evanston.

FIRST SNOW FLOW OUT.

The first snow flow of the season went out on the Denver and Rio Grande yesterday, says the Denver News of Thursday.

RAILROAD NOTES.

Col. Dodge of the R. G. W. is in town. T. B. Choate of the U. P. was in Ogden yesterday.

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AFTER THE GOAL BEDS OF SONORA

Party of Experts Gone to Make a Final Examination.

WILL CUT OFF UTAH SUPPLY

Branch Line to the Coal Deposits Will Cost a Million and a Half of Dollars.

It was announced in San Francisco today that H. E. Huntington, of the Southern Pacific Company, has gone to Mexico with a corps of experts to make a final examination of a bed of coal in the State of Sonora, about sixty miles off the line of the Sonora railway, which runs from Benson, Ariz., to Guaymas, Mex. The Southern Pacific recently purchased this road from the Santa Fe. The coal deposit will cost the Southern Pacific \$500,000. A branch from the Sonora railway to the property will cost \$1,500,000.

SANTA FE ACQUISITIONS.

Secures a Number of Branch Railroad Companies.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Santa Fe was held in Topeka, Kas., at noon yesterday.

INCREASED EARNINGS.

Southern Pacific Piles Up Figures in Earnings of Four Months.

C. P. Huntington, president of the Southern Pacific Company, has issued a statement of the earnings of the railroad for the first four months of the present fiscal year.

UNION PACIFIC LANDS.

Large Tracts Recently Sold to Salt Lake Parties.

Through its special agent, Mr. C. E. Wantland, the Union Pacific has sold a number of large tracts of land recently in Wyoming.

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Henry Blakely, formerly secretary to J. M. Hamanford, third vice president of the Northern Pacific at St. Paul, has been appointed division freight agent of the Montana division, vice Robert Rantoul, appointed general manager of the Montana railway at Helena.

RAILROADS WANT TO POOL.

Don't Like Competition—Advantages of Government Ownership.

Paul Morton, second vice president of the Santa Fe railroad, in his testimony before the industrial commission made a strong plea in behalf of pooling railroads in restraint of competition, and expressed his disapproval of government ownership.

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to call a meeting of the stockholders to increase the capital stock to the figure required by the extensions and improvements to be made during the coming year. And for this reason Mr. Wallace left last evening for Boston to consult with prominent stockholders in relation to the increase, and will return some time before the 20th inst., with proxies of such stockholders as may not be able to attend the meeting in this city.

Mr. Wallace did not deem it advisable to state at present just what amount will be raised, but the value of the improvements proposed will be sufficient to insure certain stockholders for valuable extensions will be made.

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Van Houten's Chocolate (For Eating), which is of delicious flavor, and cheapest in the end? Sold in the following shapes: Croquettes, in Tins, Drops, in Tins, Square Tablets, Small Bars.

WHEN SUFFERING FROM A COLIC. Old-fashioned remedies generally suffice for those who know how to doctor it. A mustard foot bath, a little hot whiskey, rock and rye, quinine, or FITZ'S BALSAM will generally answer the purpose.

PREPARATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS. Always include new and fashionable attire. The Yuletide season brings in a demand for heavy weight overcoats, dress suits and Tuxedos, and for those who like to have the latest fashions in style, the fashionable "bang" of overcoat, or the swell cut and fit of their suit, there is no one in Salt Lake that can give them such a perfect fit and style as Buckle & Son.

BOOKS FOR XMAS. "Janice Meredith" \$1.50, "Richard Carvel" 1.50, "Honorable Peter Sterling" .75, "Lady of Quality" .75, "Adventures of Franklin" .75. Subscriptions taken for all Publications. L. F. HAMMEL, 49 W. 2nd St.

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