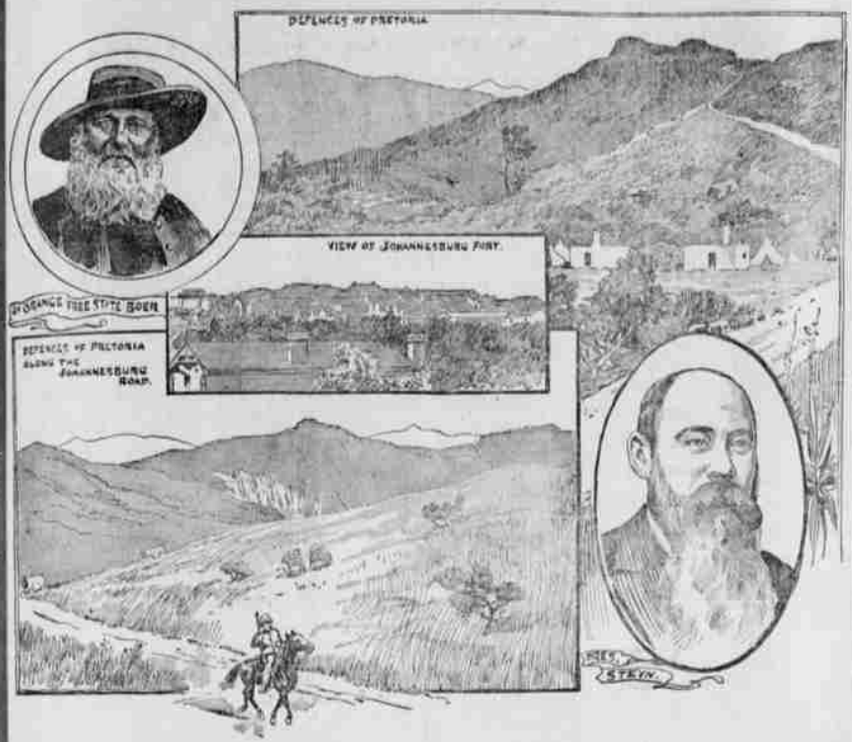
THE BOER AND THE BRITISH.

WHY is it that the Orange Free State sides with the Transvaal? That is a matter often asked, but little understood in America. When the first clash came between the Boers and the British, it occurred the Boers had the right, and they knew it. The Boers claimed the right to occupy the South African country before. The British contested it, but lost and won their point. When the subsequent proclamation of 1854 the aborigines protection of the Boers who had made our office the Boers who had owned slaves were given compensation. At the Orange river the great band of emigrant "trekkers" divided into two parts. One part founded the Orange Free State, and the other, continuing farther eastward, founded Natal. Although the Orange Free State was subsequently conquered by the English and the Boers of Natal were forced to seek a new freedom by crossing the river Vaal and founding the Transvaal, both little republics to-day regained their political independence.

Looked together for common blood and union, the Free State as in the Transvaal, Judge Hare's election to the presidency, therefore, was both promoted and followed by Prisoner Kruger.

During the Jameson raid into the South African Republic, at a time when that English literature had the floor, it was the entire sympathy of all kinsmen in both the Orange Free State and the Transvaal. President Steyn about for the conservation of Boer interests. His subsequent election showed the growing life of opposition among the Boers of Cape Colony and east of civilization, with the Transvaal on its north and Natal on its east. Its area is 48,326 square miles, and its present population is about 250,000 of whom about 35,000 are whites. The government consists of a president and a council appointed by the volksraad. The country is divided into 16 districts, each district having a landdrost, appointed by the president and confirmed by the volksraad. This last mentioned administrative body, by the way, is a legislative assembly, elected by the adult white burghers, half of the body vacate their seats every two years. In addition to requires the administration of the volksraad is practically the same as that of the Transvaal. With the above social and commercial relationship and the same patriotic sentiments as the time of the Transvaal, it is not to be wondered at that the astute statesmen of the Orange Free State is ready to take up sides with his cousins across the Vaal in resisting Cecil Rhodes and that power for which he stands.



the report on London. These papers they were compelled to cash on the spot at a loss. Be strong gave the aborigines against the British country that more than five in a country outlined by it their abandoned Cape Colony and trekked northward into unknown territory. This was known as the "trek" of 1836. Some 4,000 Boers participated in the great exodus, and the little memory of their sufferings from Boer at all time and hostile native remains as a legacy of hatred among their descendants to the present day.

united in resisting the advances of a common oppressor, of a power which they had always regarded as an oppressor, it is no wonder that the Orange Free State and the South African Republic have for many years stood shoulder to shoulder.

When Judge Hare not long ago was elected president of the Orange Free State, that election was looked upon in both South African republics as a Boer victory and a blow at the intruder British element, which of recent years has been growing in proportionately strong

South Africans of Dutch descent to the restless British domination, of which they had every reason to be proud of symptoms.

President Steyn is an excellent statesman, an able jurist and a strong minded man. Like other Boer children, he was said to have cut his teeth on a cartridge bull, and when but 11 years old had knocked over his black with his own gun. He may have the Dutch sagacity of valor, but he certainly has the Dutch stubbornness of purpose. The country over which he rules has just

A Man of Many Crimes.

The name for handsome gentleman shown in the accompanying illustration is Ahokum. He is a Chinaman and was one of the Boxer chiefs responsible for the murder of seven white men and 50 native in 1900. This outrage was the reason d'etre of the now well known Boxer expedition and the subsequent razzle dazzle for Uncle Sam's and his colleagues. It was also during the summer and just that the English secret Major C. Carter and Captain G. Schoff secured the chief of Tientsin, for whom England has been making such a long search. Ahokum is now a prisoner in the old Calabar jail, and as a result the Boxer country is in a much more settled condition.

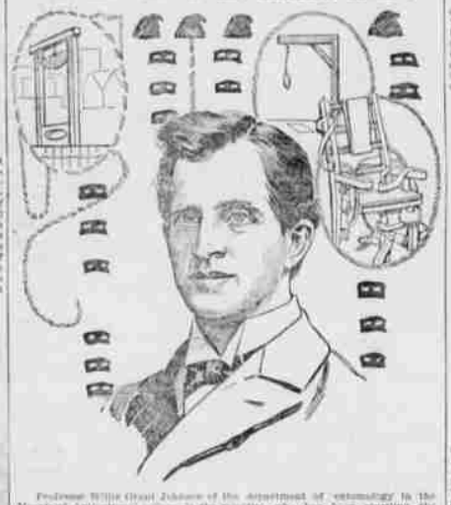
HAYTHORN BRIDGE.

One of the safest bridges in Europe is now in Hawthorn under the auspices for better navigation of the River Lesser. This is the stone bridge, with 10 arches and a total length of 60 feet, from Lorrain the Dowdy at Hawthorn (Illustrated by Excelsior by Duke Harry the Superb to Hide).

The Man With the Sledge.

The accompanying illustration shows one of the more striking shows of ordinary which represent the different industries of the United States at the National Export exposition now being held in Philadelphia. This particular figure typifies the iron trade. As will be seen from the illustration, the figure is that of a muscular young blacksmith at work at his forge. It there days when the iron growing iron trade of America promises to become the greatest business of the world there is no exposed figure so such a figure to bring one of the groups at an exposition that is so obviously indicated in connection.

The Gas Cell or the Electric Chair?



Professor Willis Grant Johnson of the department of entomology in the Maryland Agricultural college is the scientist who has been startling the world with his novel theory for putting condemned criminals out of existence. That the gallows and the electric chair are both cruel means of death is beyond question, but the experimental point has been the advisability of using any method of capital punishment whereby a condemned criminal is confinded. Professor Johnson's method is to confine the condemned in a gas cell, the taking out of a rattler opinion, as scientists suggests during convocation, or to the gradual agony of the condemned when the neck is not broken in the rope from a gallows. This last fate is the suggestion by Professor Johnson that the condemned man be placed in a gas cell and the gas turned on, the result being that the victim would be asphyxiated to death. This gas is one of the [illegible] and leaves no [illegible] effects, and besides differing [illegible] from death easily and painlessly. A [illegible] is all that would be [illegible] to the prisoner, by which time the prisoner would have expired. [illegible] Professor Johnson has been working [illegible] under the effect was not at all disagreeable.

One Thousand Years of Roses.

The accompanying illustration shows a rose tree that is over 1,000 years old. This Bavarian old rose tree grows at Hildesheim, and last year it was thought the ancient tree was dying. Great care was taken of it, however, and it was spared through the past winter with the greatest solicitude, and now, seeming to have taken a new lease

of life, it is more flourishing than ever, its branches are trained against the walls of the crypt of the cathedral founded by Ludwig the Pious in 820. The legend has it that Ludwig himself planted the tree, but whatever the real facts of the matter may be there can be no doubt that the roses themselves are at least 1,000 years old. This was conclusively proved by the naturalist Hinckhoff, who was very much interested in the matter not long ago and went through many old manuscripts in order to see if there was any truth in the old story of the bush's antiquity.

About the most expensive luxuries in Lima are perhaps oranges. It costs 32 cents in silver to buy a single orange, a delicacy bitter, which is equivalent to 11 cents in gold.

A Valuable Dog.

Now that the Tennessee horse is declared to run out of the life of man, or, with perhaps as stalling for the strychnine analogy, the dog seems to be growing more and more prized by his admiring master. The result is that he has been the breeding and rearing of finery and thoroughbred dogs has become an important business of late. Many new specimens of noble lady appeared on the market yesterday, and also in the dog shows, one of the most attractive of these is the Boston hound, a specimen of which is shown in the accompanying picture.

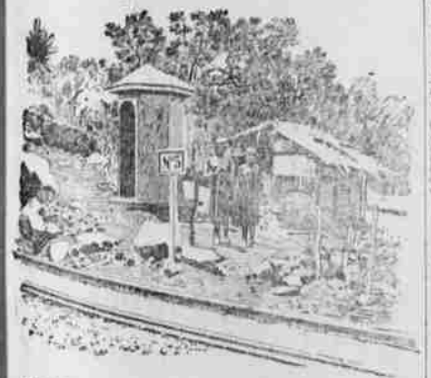
A Mexican Funeral Car.

The City of Mexico goes ahead of other places in the matter of stylish funerals. If the Federal in that city is for one of the wealthy class, a hearse with six horses drawing it can be secured for some $125. If, however, it is a mere pauper who is to be buried the funeral expense amount up to only $120 and he is taken to his last resting place in a carriage the same as that shown in the accompanying illustration. This primitive looking hearse is not unlike an ordinary street car in appearance, and is often hired by the most miserable beasts of steeds.

The Famous Stonehenge Cromlech.

The latest remarkable move of that remarkable man, Sir Thomas Lipton, is reported to be an effort to purchase Stonehenge, the ancient and mysterious remains which are shown in the accompanying illustration. Members of Thomas Hardy's "Tess" was somewhere the romantic part taken from Salisbury and stones vary in the life of the Druids or the Druidesses, for Edward Ancombe is the greatest owner of Stonehenge and is extremely anxious to Salisbury plains and has offered the entire property to the British government for $50,000. At this exposure again the Lipton [illegible] should it is now rumored that Sir Thomas Lipton is negotiating for the purchase of a [illegible] Stonehenge. The money of Stonehenge has called forth the [illegible] Stonehenge, the architect and the engineer. Under Jones architecture in the Stonehenge the [illegible] of Stonehenge was somewhat the romantic part taken from Salisbury and stones vary in the life of the Druids or the Druidesses, for Edward Ancombe is the greatest owner of Stonehenge and is extremely anxious to Salisbury plains and has offered the entire property to the British government for $50,000. At this exposure again the Lipton [illegible] should it is now rumored that Sir Thomas Lipton is negotiating for the purchase of a [illegible] Stonehenge. The money of Stonehenge has called forth the [illegible] Stonehenge, the architect and the engineer. Under Jones architecture in the Stonehenge the [illegible] of Stonehenge was somewhat [illegible] with other [illegible] the [illegible] of Stonehenge. The [illegible] of Stonehenge [illegible] the date to a remote period, and the Druids are [illegible]

Kaffir Signalmen In South Africa.



How the everything connected with South Africa is of paramount interest [illegible] Kaffir Kraal Post into the Transvaal, is now without [illegible] It was by this [illegible] and through this [illegible] that the long [illegible] Transvaal by way of Ingogo, but not to pass before it [illegible] General Joubert and he was [illegible] Owing to the [illegible] of [illegible] which this railway [illegible] a large corps of watchmen and [illegible] are necessary all along the line. The responsible duties of signaling and checking the traffic are left to Kaffirs.

The Great Globe o' Dorkerton.

[illegible] about the globe gifts [illegible] [illegible] of geographical and astronomical information. Near the globe, which is [illegible] covered with useful information, is a sun dial, a tube for [illegible] and a [illegible] showing a chart of the English channel.

How the Boers Treat British Graves.

The graves shown in this picture are of special interest but at the present time in view of the statements that are circulating over the Boers and of their treatment of the British dead. The graves are the British officers and men who died in and while attempts between the Boers and the British which took place just in years ago. These particular men lay at Dundee, one of the best attacks upon the world Boers. Just after the Jameson raid Boers the wounded brought destroyed some of the graves near to the little burying place, and in all possible ways expressed their deep rooted hatred of the English.

A William Tell Post Card.

Here is an official post card of Switzerland which has been apparently issued to commemorate the recent performance at Bonhomme "William Tell" at the Lake of Lucerne. The scenes on the card show a typical view of the beautiful Lucerne lake and a scene from the drama of "William Tell," depicting that hero and his son standing together.

LITTLE POINTS OF INTEREST.

An unsophisticated Westport (Ind.) lad, who had subscribed a Portland paper for some time, was surprised at the absence of the last few issues, and despatched an frowned representative, to the great sanctum, when he got it he found that it had been added, as follows, "To each of subscribers, 41."

A new cat in the office of the Boyne of commerce has been fitted with the gullets of Scotch whisky and shortened the Valentia cat, after the chalkness of the kitchen committee. A much smaller cask is used for the supply of Irish whisky.

Six hundred and fifty thousand pounds of tea are consumed in Britain every day, which gives 3,200 gallons a minute, night and day, throughout the year. The tea drunk in Great Britain in a year would make a lake two and three-fifths miles long, one mile wide and six feet deep.

The bench of magistrates of Hagerstown presented an order forbidding the landing of dogs from ireland in Great Britain under a penalty of $100. This is done to prevent the spread of rabies, which is common in Ireland just now.

By virtue of his office the lord mayor of London is colonel of the port of London, grocer of wine and oil and of salt and fish, and inspector of butter, beer, soap, cheese, etc. He is governor of four hospitals, a trustee of St. Paul's cathedral and a magistrate "in several places." He is also coroner.

A published statement that Dreams Chibolos can hold office under the Transvaal government is untenable. A provision of that character did exist, but at the request of President Kruger it was repealed in 1896.

Japan, not to be behind European states in civilization, is going to send an Arctic expedition. The reason given is that if Japan is ever to compete with Great Britain on the seas, it must develop in the Japanese the spirit of adventure and of discovery which has made the English powerful. The only places left to be discovered are the north and south poles.

Mexico has an area of 31,000 square miles, or nearly one-fourth that of the United States.

Russia's railroads cost 19,000 rubles.