

# PEACEABLE LOOK

## SETTLEMENT OF BOER AND BRITISH TROUBLES.

### ONLY TECHNICALITIES DELAY

Both Sides Anxious for the War to End, but South Africans Have Some Difficulty in Pacifying Certain of Their People.

LONDON, May 24.—The Associated Press has every reason to believe that peace in South Africa is practically secured. How soon, depends, apparently, more upon convenience of the Boer leaders than upon the inclination of the British government. The private and official advices received in London from South Africa all point to the same conclusion. The delay is technical, and to end the long war seems to be the desire of both British and Boer leaders. The latter, however, are unable to convince all of their followers of the wisdom of acquiescing in the terms of peace. Information as to what transpired at yesterday's meeting of the cabinet is closely guarded, but it is not likely that the cabinet transactions were of vital import. The surmise of one well informed person places the sum total of the deliberations of the cabinet ministers at a decision regarding points of the peace agreement of entirely minor importance. Another surmise is that the cabinet merely sent a rather mock ultimatum to South Africa, which can be used by the Boer leaders in explanation to their forces.

Both these surmises probably contain an element of truth, but neither can in any way effect the widespread belief in the best informed quarters that the end of the war has come. In fact those persons who are best acquainted with the actual details of the present negotiations only qualify this optimistic expression of opinion by guarded reservations concerning the extent of the personal control of the Boer leaders over their commands. Were the Boers a thoroughly disciplined force, dependent on the action of their general officers, peace would probably be now proclaimed, but Botha, Dewet and the other generals seem themselves to positively guarantee the degree to which their example will be followed. The delegation at Vereeniging, according to the information of the war office are fairly evenly divided. Accordingly extreme precautions are exercised in London and Pretoria to prevent any premature report which might adversely influence the Boers. Advice received by the war office indicate that whatever decision the Vereeniging conference may arrive at, most, if not all, of the Boer leaders who went to Pretoria will not continue the fight. The present negotiations were merely for the purpose of enabling the Boer leaders to "save their faces." After they learn the results of this afternoon's meeting of the cabinet the Boer leaders are expected to announce their reluctant acquiescence with the British terms.

The war office does not expect any serious defections from the rank and file on the action taken by Generals Botha and Dewet.

### Kansas Democrats Adjourn.

WICHITA, Kan., May 24.—The democratic state convention has adjourned after naming six of the fourteen places to be filled at the November election. W. H. Craddock, mayor of Kansas City, Kan., was named for governor. Other nominations are: James McCleverty, Fort Scott, and J. C. Cannon, Mound City, for supreme justices; Claude Duvall, Hutchinson, for secretary of state; J. M. Love, Kinsley, for auditor.

### A Veteran Passes Away.

OMAHA, Neb., May 24.—Warren Woodard of Exeter, Neb., an old soldier and a member of the department of Nebraska, Grand Army of the Republic, who came here to attend the state encampment, died at the Paxton hotel. His wife arrived from Exeter before his death. Mr. Woodard was one of the first settlers of Exeter, having located there thirty-two years ago.

### Drops Dead at Son's Grave.

WILBER, Neb., May 24.—While visiting his son's grave with his wife, Bartholomew Zoubek fell dead over the grave from heart disease. He was 72 years of age and had resided here for thirty years.

### Japan Wants Large Loan.

SEATTLE, Wash., May 24.—Count Matsukawa, the prime minister of Japan, with the Japanese minister of finance, is in the United States for the purpose of negotiating a loan of \$100,000,000 with which to build ships and railways and to carry on mining operations in Japan. This statement is made upon authority of Theophile Gollier, attache of the Belgian legation in Tokio, who, with his wife, arrived in Seattle.

## ALL SIGNS POINT TO PEACE.

British Officials, However, Give No Indication of Negotiations.

LONDON, May 23.—The consensus of opinion here is that all the signs are propitious, but up to 2 o'clock this afternoon the British officials had given no indications of the course which the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and Lord Milner and the Boer delegates at Pretoria were taking. That conferences are occurring regarding the basis upon which peace shall be declared is the sum total of the information which the war office has vouchsafed up to the present, though it is intimated that a definite announcement of the result, peaceful or otherwise, may speedily be expected.

The expression that peace is close at hand has obviously taken a strong hold of operators on the stock exchange. The buying of consols and gilt-edged South African shares continues, it is believed, in behalf of well informed interests.

### PALMA EXPRESSES GRATITUDE.

President of Cuban Republic Sends Message to Secretary Root.

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The secretary of war has received the following message from the president of Cuba:

"Elihu Root, Secretary of war, Washington: I am deeply moved by your heartfelt message of congratulation on the inauguration of the republic of Cuba, to the birth of which the people and the government of the United States have contributed with their blood and treasure. Rest assured that the Cuban people can never forget the debt of gratitude they owe to the great republic with which we will always cultivate the closest relations of friendship, and for the prosperity of which we pray to the Almighty."

(Signed.)

"T. ESTRADA PALMA."

### TOWN ISOLATED BY STORM.

Decorah Cut Off by Flood, Which Does Great Damage.

CONOVER, Ia., May 23.—The town of Decorah, Ia., the county seat of Winneshiek county, has been cut off from communication with other points for the last forty-eight hours. The storms of Tuesday night flooded the valley from Conover to Decorah, sweeping away railroad bridges, tracks and telegraph poles and flooding the town.

Two men drove from Decorah to Conover this afternoon and reported that water ran through the streets, carrying away bridges and some of the smaller houses. They said that two lives had been lost and that possibly others had perished. People were driven to the hills. The Milwaukee road has a crew at work repairing its lines and expects to open communication with Decorah tomorrow night.

### PRICE OF COAL IS ADVANCED.

Radical Action Taken by the Retail Dealers in New York.

NEW YORK, May 23.—Convinced that weeks, and possibly months, may elapse before the miners' strike shall have been settled, retail coal dealers here have advanced the price of anthracite coal to a maximum of \$8.50 a ton, and at the same time marked up bituminous to \$4.50 when purchased in small quantities. To consumers of large quantities of soft coal a rate of \$3.85 is quoted.

Only once before have these prices for fuel been exceeded. That was in 1871, when the price of anthracite reached a maximum of \$11 a ton.

### Bad Hail Storm Hits Iowa.

PERRY, Ia., May 23.—The town and vicinity of Dawson, six miles west of here, was vited by a severe hail and rain storm. Hail stones measuring three inches across were picked up after the storm. Not a pane of glass was left on the south side of buildings in the town, even large plate glass windows in stores being broken. Trees and growing crops are damaged badly.

### Think Pfeister Insane.

WILBER, Neb., May 23.—Complaint has been made before the insanity board against a man named Pfeister, who it is said is roaming around the country south of Swanton in a crazed condition and afflicted with the smallpox.

Swedish Ministers Must Refrain. SIOUX CITY, Ia., May 23.—Ministers of the Swedish Baptist church in Iowa cannot in future belong to secret orders, under the revised constitution of the association.

Bard Ordered to Vacate. CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 23.—I. N. Bard, who owns a large ranch property on Little Bear creek, about thirty-five miles north of this city, reports that on last Saturday he received warning to leave the country in the form of a note on his doorstep. According to Bard's statement, large areas of government land, as well as county roads, are fenced in and in order to get to his ranch he is compelled to cut fences.

# ERUPTION AGAIN

## MOUNT PELEE AND SOUFRIERE BREAK FORTH.

### TERROR AND AWFUL DREAD

Frenzied Populace, Appalled by Fiery Clouds, Hot Stones and Swirling Ashes, Flee to Cities for Refuge Amid Indescribable Consternation.

FORT DE FRANCE, Island of Martinique, May 22.—Yesterday's eruption from Mont Pelee was violent in the extreme. Colossal columns of volcanic matter were ejected from the volcano, which rained huge, hot boulders, many feet in diameter, upon the ruins of St. Pierre and the surrounding country, from an enormous elevation and with fearful velocity. The volcanic clouds advanced as far as Fort de France.

The spectacle was appalling and beyond description. The whole population of Fort de France was thrown into a frenzy of panic, during which soldiers, police, men and women, all terrified, frantic weeping and praying, rushed through the streets, while overhead the growing, fiery clouds rolled relentlessly and rained down stones, still hot, amid the swirling ashes.

The steam launch of the United States cruiser Cincinnati took some refugees to the French cruiser Suchet, and nearly 100 persons sought refuge on the Cincinnati and United States steamer Potomac. At 10 o'clock the Potomac went to investigate matters and all reports agree that Lieutenant Benjamin B. McCormick, the commander of the steamer, did excellent work. He went in close to St. Pierre and found that that city had been bombarded with enormous stones from the volcano and that the ruins left standing after the first great disaster had been nearly razed. Millions of tons of ashes then covered the ruined city.

Further smaller stones had destroyed the houses of the brave villagers who had stuck to their homes.

Lieutenant McCormick took on board the Potomac 180 refugees. The lieutenant fed them and brought the party to Fort de France. This work of rescue was difficult and dangerous.

It is reported that the whole population of the island is fleeing toward Fort de France. The consternation prevailing is indescribable. Mont Pelee is still very threatening.

The French cruiser Suchet went on another tour around the island and did not take part in the rescue work of the Potomac.

The United States steamer Sterling has returned from San Juan de Porto Rico.

The United States steamer Dixie is expected here this afternoon from New York.

### POLICE BOARD STAYS.

Supreme Court Again Decide in Favor of Present Incumbents.

LINCOLN, May 22.—The supreme court has denied the application of C. C. Wright for a writ of mandamus to compel the governor to appoint a board of fire and police commissioners for Omaha. Two questions were involved in this case. One was the authority of the supreme court to mandamus the governor, and the other was the right of the governor to make appointments. The opinion was written by Chief Justice Sullivan, Judges Holcomb and Sedgwick concurring.

The court declares that it has the right to mandamus an officer of the executive branch of the government and that in this regard the law makes no distinction between officials. The writ is denied, however, on the ground of res adjudica, which is that a question once determined by a judgment on its merits is forever settled. It was on this ground that Judge Sullivan, in the Kennedy case, adhered to the decision in the Moores case, from which he had originally dissented.

### Funeral of Consul Prentis.

FORT DE FRANCE, Martinique, May 22.—Funeral services over the remains of Thomas T. Prentis, the late United States consul at St. Pierre, were held yesterday.

### Kansas Wetted Down.

TOPEKA, Kan., May 22.—Heavy rains have fallen practically all over Kansas during the past twenty-four hours. The rain was the heaviest of the year.

### Omaha Company Expanding.

CHICAGO, May 22.—Plans are under way for the reorganization of the Omaha Packing company. Ira M. Cobb, president of the Chicago Title and Trust company, promoting the deal. The stock is to be \$2,000,000 preferred and \$2,000,000 common. Subscribers to the preferred receive 50 per cent of the amount of their subscriptions in common as a bonus. The Omaha company has a branch in this city and others elsewhere.

## WILL FIGHT BISCUIT TRUST.

Independent Concerns to Unite in Opposition to the Same.

CHICAGO, May 21.—The Inter Ocean says that the independent biscuit companies throughout the country will soon be combined in a giant rival to the National Biscuit company, probably under the name of the Union Biscuit company.

Several of the largest independent concerns have already entered into an agreement to unite and steps now being taken by the officers of the Union Biscuit company of St. Louis are designed to amalgamate most of the 150 independent companies into one corporation. A buying and selling agreement has already been entered into, it is said.

According to the present plans of the independent people, Jacob L. Boose, formerly president of the American Biscuit company, which was absorbed by the National biscuit company, is to be at the head of the new concern.

### FRENCH PREMIER TO RETIRE.

President Loubet is to Form New Cabinet June 1.

PARIS, May 21.—It is officially announced that the premier, M. Waldeck-Rousseau, will resign before June 1, leaving President Loubet to form a new cabinet simultaneously with the meeting of the new chamber.

M. Waldeck-Rousseau notified M. Loubet and his colleagues just before the president's departure for Russia that he considered he had accomplished the work of unity, which was the object of his taking office, and that, therefore, he desired to retire from the present cabinet, but would retain office until a new cabinet was formed from representatives of the majority of the newly elected deputies.

### INJUNCTION PUT IN FORGE.

Order Restraining Packers from Maintaining Combine Issued.

CHICAGO, May 21.—The temporary injunction asked for by the government against the members of the so-called packers' combine is now in force. It was issued by Judge Peter Grosscup, after the close of arguments in the United States circuit court room. The order gives the relief prayed for in the bill filed by District Attorney Bethea on May 1.

It is so wide in its scope that if the packers or their agents continue with their present alleged uniform arrangement they will be taken into court on contempt proceedings and the burden of proof will be on them to show that they have not violated the order in any particular.

### Price of Coal Advanced.

NEW YORK, May 21.—Owing to the strike in the anthracite coal mine region the price of bituminous coal has been advanced in this city from \$2.60 to \$4.50 a ton. The coal operators, it is said, intend to cut off the anthracite coal supply in the small towns in order that there shall be a greater supply for this city. It is a violation of law to use soft coal in this city.

### Basse Point Flooded.

FORT DE FRANCE, Island of Martinique, May 21.—A severe inundation at Basse Pointe, on the northeast coast of this island, at 2 o'clock this morning, swept away twenty houses and fifty other buildings were damaged by the flowing mud, which has swept over the Vallee de la Riviere. There was no further loss of life, Basse Pointe having been abandoned several days ago.

### Boers Vote for Peace.

LONDON, May 21.—Business was very buoyant on the stock exchange this afternoon owing to reports of the receipt of a private telegram announcing that the Boer conference at Vereeniging had voted in favor of peace on the best terms procurable by a delegation to be sent to Pretoria to confer with Lord Kitchener and Lord Milner, the British high commissioner.

### Breaks Automobile Record.

NEW YORK, May 21.—All automobile records between New York and Philadelphia have been broken by a party of New Yorkers who made the run from this city to Philadelphia in four hours and eight minutes. The distance is 103 miles.

### To Be Marshals.

WASHINGTON, May 21.—The president today nominated W. M. Hanson and A. J. Houston to be United States marshals of the southern and eastern districts of Texas, respectively.

### Robber Kills Saloon Man.

KANSAS CITY, May 21.—Joseph Barrone, an Italian saloon keeper, aged 31, was shot and killed in his saloon in this city by a robber with whom he had a desperate encounter early today. The robber entered the saloon and finding Barrone alone, demanded his money. Barrone refused to surrender his cash and a struggle followed. The robber fired five shots at Barrone, three of which took effect. The robber escaped.

## THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations from South Omaha and Kansas City.

### SOUTH OMAHA.

CATTLE—There was not a heavy run of cattle, so that under the influence of a good local demand trading was fairly active and practically everything was disposed of in good season. Beef steers made up the bulk of the offerings and the quality was fully as good as usual. The demand was especially good for the choice heavyweight cattle, and such kinds could safely be quoted strong and active. The lightweight cattle, however, did not move quite as freely as they have on some days, and the same was true of the commoner grades of all weights. While such kinds did not sell any lower as a rule, still packers were indifferent buyers, and sellers in some cases found it rather hard to get as much as they thought they ought to have. Practically everything, though, was disposed of in good season. The better grades of cows and heifers also commanded steady to strong prices and the market was active. The medium kinds and canners did not show much of any change. Bulls, veal calves and stags also sold in just about yesterday's notches. Stockers and feeders were rather scarce and anything at all desirable was picked up in a hurry at fully steady prices. The commoner kinds were neglected more or less, the same as usual, but they sold at right around steady prices.

HOGS—There was another liberal supply of hogs, so that packers took advantage of the opportunity to pound the market a little. Trading started out rather slow at a decline of just about 5c. The market was not very brisk at any time, but still the hogs kept going over the scales and the bulk of the offerings was out of first hands at a reasonably early hour. The bulk of the good weight hogs sold from \$7.05 to \$7.25 and the medium weights went at from \$6.50 to \$7.00 and the light stuff went from \$6.50 down. SHEEP—Offerings of sheep and lambs were so light that it could not be said that there was a market. There were just a few bunches of mixed stock in the yards and they sold without any trouble at just about steady prices. What has been previously said regarding the demand for good stuff still holds true and there is no doubt in the minds of traders but what desirable offerings would sell at the high point of the season.

### KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE—Best beef steers, \$9.10c higher; cows and heifers, steady to shade lower; stockers and feeders, weaker; choice export and dressed beef steers, \$7.00c; fair to good, \$5.00c; stockers and feeders, \$3.90c; western-fed steers, \$4.50c; Texas and Indian steers, \$3.10c; Texas cows, \$3.00c; native cows, \$2.25c; native heifers, \$2.00c; canners, \$2.00c; bulls, \$3.25c; calves, \$3.00c.

HOGS—Market weak to 5c lower; top, \$7.00c; bulk of sales, \$7.00c; heavy, \$7.20c; mixed packers, \$7.00c; light, \$6.50c; yorkers, \$7.00c; pigs, \$5.00c.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Market 5c to 10c lower; native lambs, \$5.40c; western lambs, \$5.00c; native wethers, \$3.90c; western wethers, \$4.30c; fed ewes, \$4.75c; Texas clipped yearlings, \$3.50c; Texas clipped sheep, \$4.20c; stockers and feeders, \$2.40c.

### PERRY HAS A FLOOD.

Woman Drowned and Many Persons Saved with Difficulty.

PERRY, O. T., May 24.—Heavy rains caused the creek running through Perry to overflow its banks at 3 o'clock this morning. Several small houses along the banks of the stream were washed away before the occupants could escape.

One woman, name unknown, is reported drowned. Several women and children were rescued from trees and house roofs. One family was saved by cutting through the roof. G. W. Cooper, a hotel proprietor, at the risk of his life, swam to a tree and rescued two women and a baby. George Ney, a cook, rescued the wife of a hotel proprietor from a house in mid stream. One bridge was washed away and others are in bad shape. On the east side of the square and on East street the water ran into stores, damaging stocks.

### Al Beard Wanted in Iowa.

ONAWA, Ia., May 24.—County Attorney W. L. Smith of Monona county has sworn out a warrant for the arrest of Al Beard, the notorious outlaw, wanted at St. Paul, Minn., and Lincoln, Neb., for the murder of John J. Gillilan, and now in custody at Kansas City. Beard, it is alleged, robbed a bank at Turin, Ia., on November 8, 1901, when a large sum was taken.

### Church Struck by Lightning.

RIVERTON, Ia., May 24.—During a severe rain and wind storm at this place, the spire of the Baptist church was struck by lightning, which completely wrecked it, besides doing great damage to other portions of the building.

### One Little Mine Running.

HAZLETON, Pa., May 24.—Matthias Schwabe, a small, independent operator, started up his colliery at South Herberton. All of his miners are to receive the wages demanded by the mine workers.

### The Motion Overruled.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 24.—The supreme court overruled the motion for rehearing in the case of Johnson against the Omaha Railroad company, from Woodbury county, in which case the attorney for the railroad company had contended that the court laid down a rule which would enable all tramps to ride on trains free because the court held the company liable for damages for evicting a tramp while a train was in motion.

## Woman's Uneven Shoulders.

New York Sun: "Have you," said one woman to another in the course of a walk through the shopping district, "noticed how crooked women are getting to be? Look at some of the women who pass us, and see if the right shoulder is not almost invariably lower than the other." The other woman looked, and lo! it was so. "It is the natural result of always having a train to hold up," said the first woman. "Why will women cling to such unreasonable fashions? A train is graceful only when allowed to sweep the ground, and we cannot let it do that in the dirty street, consequently we are everlastingly clutching it to keep it from the pavement, and the position this necessitates is so constantly assumed that the right shoulder is becoming lower than the other. If the thing continues, the boasted carriage of the American girl will soon be an empty boast indeed. The only remedy for the present, the only hope for the future, is to leave off trailing skirts and to go to a gymnasium. There, under the direction of a competent teacher, one who knows how to cure just such defects, train, and never stop until you are straight again."

## He Gave His Address.

Harry Furniss tells a good story of a distinguished but irritable Scotch lecturer. The gentleman had occasion to speak in a small town in one of the Lowland counties, and it chanced that he met with a more than usually loquacious chairman. This genius actually spoke for a whole hour in "introducing" the lecturer. He wound up by saying, "It is unnecessary for me to say more, but call upon the talented gentleman who has come so far to give us his address tonight."

The lecturer came forward. "You want my address? I'll give it to you. 322 Rob Roy Crescent, Edinburgh—and I'm just off there now. Goodnight!"—May Woman's Home Companion.

## Cheaper Beer of Abstinence.

A curious strike is in progress at Rokewood, near Ballarat, Victoria, where, in consequence of the refusal of the local publicans to reduce the price of beer from 6 pence to 4 pence per pint, nearly every resident has signed a pledge to do without beer until Melbourne prices are charged.

## Burning Head.

Star City, Ark., May 26th.—A very remarkable case has just occurred here.

Mr. W. H. McFalls has been suffering severely for two years with an ailment that puzzled the doctors and everybody. The trouble seemed to be all in his head, which had a burning sensation all the time.

Sometimes this burning pain in the head would be worse than at other times, but it never left him.

At last he tried a new remedy called Dodd's Kidney Pills and was agreeably surprised to find that the burning gradually disappeared.

An attack of La Grippe has laid him up for the last few weeks, but Dodd's Kidney Pills have banished his old trouble entirely.

His son George used a few of the Pills which his father did not need and they have done him so much good that he says he would not take ten cents a pill for the few he still has left.

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## THUNDER MOUNTAIN, IDAHO, A MINERAL TREASURE HOUSE.

Fortunes of Gold Are Being Found in the Center of the State of Idaho.

Thunder Mountain, the new Idaho gold field, is the most promising mineral region in the United States. The richness of this country was not known until late in the fall of 1901, after heavy snows had closed all avenues by which the region might be reached except upon snowshoes. Notwithstanding this fact, Colonel W. H. Dewey of Idaho, and others who have had wide experience in mining, have expended vast sums in the purchase of undeveloped claims. The surface indications are marvelously rich. These gold bearing ledges, from 100 to 300 feet, will run through a mountain parallel to each other. In the Dewey mine, this vast deposit has values running from \$7 to \$4,000 per ton, and the plates of the 10-stamp mill which runs on the ore have to be cleaned of their accretions of gold every six hours.

In a few weeks two miners last spring cleaned up \$7,500 in placer gold, using a small cotton hose to wash the gravel, the water coming from a small reservoir on the mountain side. The mineral zone covers a large section of hitherto unexplored country, and is about 175 miles from a railroad.

There are five routes leading to the Thunder Mountain country, viz: via Ketchum, Mackay, Boise and Weiser, Idaho, and Redrock, Montana, all on the Oregon Short Line railway. A great rush to this mecca for miners is predicted, and "On to Thunder Mountain" will be as familiar as the old watchword, "Pike's Peak or Bust," as soon as the snows disappear so that the camp may be reached with supplies, which will probably be between May 15 and June 1. A scarcity of provisions at present keeps miners away, as flour at \$50 per sack is considered somewhat of a luxury even in the golden land.

Surrounding Thunder Mountain is a large section of country adapted to agriculture and stock-raising. D. E. Burley, general passenger agent of the Oregon Short Line railroad, at Salt Lake City, sent an expert to report upon that country, and will cheerfully give any information required as to the routes and general conditions in and around the great mining camp.

He who has a good wife can bear any evil.