

PURSUIT OF AGUINALDO

Purses Aringay on the Coast Between San Fabian and San Fernando.

MAKING FOR MOUNTAIN REGION.

Americans Have a Little Brush With Filipino Rear Guard—Rebels Retreat With Unknown Loss—Insurgents Now Given No Resting Spells.

MANILA, Nov. 23.—General Young reports that Aguinaldo, with a party of 200, including some women and a few carts, passed Aringay, on the coast between San Fabian and San Fernando, in the province of Union, on Friday, November 17. The general adds that Aguinaldo probably intended to strike inland through the Binqua mountains toward Bayambang, in the province of Nueva Viscaya.

General Young, with cavalry and Macabebes, is pursuing the Filipino leader, part of the American force taking the direction of San Fernando. In a fight with Aguinaldo's rear guard at Aringay one Macabebes was wounded and the insurgents retreated. Their loss is unknown.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—General Otis today cabled the War department as follows:

"MANILA, Nov. 22.—Dispatch 21st from Lawton at Tayug reports Young with cavalry and Macabebes scouts at Aringay, with advance north to Baorang rear San Fernando about to move on trail east to Trinidad. Young reports considerable insurgent force moving in that direction; that Aguinaldo is in charge, seeking to cross over to Bayambang.

"Portions of Lawton's troops now being pushed through to Tayug with rations. Battalion Twenty-fourth will join Lawton tomorrow. Nothing from Wheaton for several days. MacArthur operating west of railroad and north of Tarlann. Wire from Tarlann north working; troops on entire railroad line retained without difficulty.

"Hollo reports seven companies Sixth and Twenty-sixth volunteers, under Dickman, struck insurgents northeast Jaro; casualties six wounded. Enemy left on field eighteen killed. Dickman captured seven prisoners, four one-pound brass field pieces and several thousand rounds ammunition. Eighteenth yesterday drove insurgents north on Santa Barbara. Hughes with column north and west of Santa Barbara; reports of results not yet received.

The dispatch from General Otis does not yet make it appear that the effort to capture Aguinaldo and the larger portion of his army will be successful. The intention of General Young to prevent Aguinaldo reaching Bayambang seems evident, but this seems scarcely probable now. Some errors have been made in the transmission of the dispatch. Bayambang is evidently meant instead of Bayambong. The town given as Tarlann is probably Tarlac, as the situation of MacArthur would indicate that he is operating not far from that place. No alarm is felt regarding the situation of General Wheaton, as he has been for some time beyond telegraphic communication.

DEWEY WILL ALWAYS OWN IT.

Admiral and Wife Retain Life Interest in the Washington Home.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—The deed transferring the Dewey home from Admiral and Mrs. Dewey to the admiral's son George was recorded in the office of the recorder of deeds today. A life interest in the property is reserved by Admiral Dewey and his wife in the following provision:

"Subject, however, to this express reservation, that the parties of the first part do hereby expressly reserve to themselves and to each of them and for the period of their natural lives respectively a life interest in and to the premises herein described, which life interest in case of the death of either of the parties is to revert to the other."

The instrument bears date of November 14, the same date borne by the deeds from Admiral Dewey to Lieutenant Crawford and from Lieutenant Crawford to Mrs. Dewey.

TO RELIEF OF KIMBERLY.

Methuen Rapidly Advancing—England to Call out Sixth Corps.

LONDON, Nov. 23.—The Daily Mail publishes a dispatch from Naarwoort, dated Wednesday, which says that a large force under General Methuen has crossed the Orange river and is advancing to the relief of Kimberly.

The Daily Mail says this morning: "We are unable to confirm the report that orders have been issued to mobilize a sixth division at Aldershot for service in South Africa or wherever it may be wanted."

Hanna to Be a Pall Bearer.

CLEVELAND, O., Nov. 23.—Senator Hanna received a request from Mrs. Hobart today that he be one of the active pallbearers at the funeral of the late vice president. He immediately wired his acquiescence.

Schley Will Sail Saturday.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 23.—It is expected at the navy department that Admiral Schley will sail for Rio on Saturday. The Celtic has sailed from Cavite for Brisbane, N. S. W., to secure a cargo of fresh meats for the sailors and soldiers in the Philippines.

Window Glass Combine.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.—The window glass jobbers concluded their convention today. They organized an association to be known as the National Window Glass Jobbers' association. No officers were elected, everything being left to two committees. The names of the members of these committees were not made public. The association may be capitalized to a certain extent, but the total capital stock will be well within half a million dollars. It was said. It was asserted that prices will not be raised as a result of the formation of the association.

VICE PRESIDENT DEAD.

Garrett A. Hobart Passes Away Surrounded by His Sorrowing Family.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Garret A. Hobart, vice president of the United States, died at his home in Paterson, N. J., at 8:30 o'clock this morning. At his bedside were Mrs. Hobart and his son, Garret A. Hobart, Jr., together with Dr. William Newton and his wife and Private Secretary Evans. Mr. Hobart's death had been expected for some hours. The beginning of the end came yesterday afternoon, when there was a sudden failure of the heart, and from this attack Mr. Hobart never rallied. He had been sick for a long time and had suffered frequently from heart failure and his strength had been undermined. Gradually the failure of the heart's action became more apparent and soon after midnight last night Mr. Hobart became unconscious. He remained in that condition until his death.

Mr. Hobart's death was due directly to angina pectoris complicating myocarditis. Owing to the prostration of Mrs. Hobart the funeral arrangements will not be completed until tomorrow. The only step decided upon is that the services shall be held in the Church of the Redeemer at Paterson and the interment in the family plot at Cedar Lawn, where the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart was buried six years ago. Rev. Dr. Magee will preach the sermon.

The church can accommodate not more than 800 persons, and as thousands will be eager to attend the services, it was suggested that they be held in the armory, which will accommodate 10,000 persons. It is known, however, that Mrs. Hobart wishes the funeral to be as quiet as possible, and there is little likelihood that the program will be changed. The mayor and aldermen of Paterson have suggested that the body lay in state at the city hall Friday and Saturday, and this will probably be carried out.

The pallbearers have been selected, but their names will be withheld until they have been notified and have accepted.

Nearly all representatives of nations in this country have sent messages to Mrs. Hobart. One of the first to send a message was President McKinley. Attorney General Griggs, who was in Washington, telegraphed that he would return to Paterson at the earliest moment and he is expected to take charge of all the details of the funeral.

Others sending messages were Sir Julian Pauncefote, Count de Glicterveldt, envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary to Belgium; the Russian ambassador, Vice President Stevenson, Admiral Schley, Governor Voorhees of New Jersey, Senator Sewall, Senator Hanna, John Russell Alger, Senator Foraker, Senator Fairbanks, General Castillo, civil governor of Santiago, and Assistant Secretary of War Meiklejohn.

WASHINGTON IS IN MOURNING.

President Deeply Affected and Mrs. McKinley Gives Way to Tears.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—All the flags in Washington are half-masted out of respect to the memory of Vice-President Hobart. The announcement of the vice president's death, while not unexpected, came as a distinct shock and cast a gloom over the city where he was loved and honored. The news was first received at the White house ten minutes before nine o'clock in a private message from Paterson. The flag over the executive mansion was immediately hauled down to half mast and the doors of the mansion closed to the public. The president was deeply affected by the telegram announcing his colleague's death, and at once dispatched a telegram conveying the sympathy and consolation of himself and Mrs. McKinley to Mrs. Hobart. Meantime the news had been bulletined by all newspaper offices and the whole city was soon mourning the loss of the vice president.

Boer Commandant Killed.

DURBAN, Natal, Monday, Nov. 20.—Seven hundred Boers from Weenen took up a strong position on the highlands, thirteen miles south of Estcourt, Sunday, occupying Turner's farm, northeast of the Mooi river. Major Thornycroft, with a detachment of mounted infantry and the Escourt Carbineers, engaged the Boers, of whom three were killed, including their commandant. The Boers withdrew, taking 200 head of cattle captured at Turner's farm. The main Boer force south of Estcourt is reported to have retired.

New York Flags at Half Mast.

NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Flags on the post office, sub-stations, custom house, sub-treasury and assay office are flying at half-mast today and the vice president's death is being similarly observed throughout the financial districts in this city, where he was well known by reason of his long and active connection with many large enterprises.

Increase in Revenue Receipts.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—The monthly statement of the commissioner of internal revenue shows that the total receipts for the month of October, 1899, were \$26,147,446, an increase as compared with October, 1898, of \$4,111,638. The total receipts from all sources during the last four months were \$103,103,485, an increase over the corresponding period last year of \$9,378,301.

No Vice President Till 1901.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 22.—By the death of Mr. Hobart the office of vice president of the United States becomes vacant for the rest of President McKinley's term, as the law provides no succession. A president pro tempore of the senate will be elected by that body when congress assembles, who will hold the office until March, 1901. By law the succession to the presidency of the United States in event of vacancy falls upon the vice president, and in the event of the latter's death, to the secretary of state.

A NEBRASKAN HONORED

Johnson County Citizens Honor a Young Hero of Manila Bay.

PRESENTED HIM WITH A SWOR

Gallant Officer of the Olympia Receives a Beautiful Gift From His Own Townspeople—An Address by the Mayor of Tecumseh, Fittingly Responded to by Lieutenant Kavanaugh.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Nov. 23.—A throng of people assembled here to participate in the formal reception and sword presentation to Lieutenant Arthur G. Kavanaugh. The escort from the home of his parents to the court yard consisted of the Tecumseh Military band, the reception committee, Company I, Second regiment, Nebraska National Guards, Grand Army, fraternalists and citizens.

Mayor George Warren delivered an address of welcome and made presentation of the sword. "The people of this nation," he said, "were proud of the outcome of the great maritime conflict of Manila bay and the people of Johnson county were particularly proud to know that during this great conflict, at the side of Commodore Dewey, on the bridge of the Olympia, carrying out every order and displaying such personal bravery as is known only to an American sailor or soldier, stood a brave Nebraskan boy."

Lieut. Kavanaugh responded to the mayor's address. He thanked the people for the magnificent sword and the hearty welcome extended to him on his home coming. "My title for distinction for service at Manila," he continued, "if I have any, rests on the fact that I was there. In the battle of May 1, I did what I could and if that little meets with your approval, I am rewarded. Since I left you ten years ago to enter the small family of the navy I have seen but little of you, yet I have always believed that you took a sincere interest in my career, and of this I have been convinced each time I returned on leave. For the people here at home I can never feel other than the most sincere regard and affection. As you know, I was appointed to Annapolis from the First district by Congressman Connell, and though my duty is to the whole nation, I have always tried to remember that I was acting in a representative capacity, so to speak, and that you are entitled to a severe examination of my conduct."

Lieut. Kavanaugh is 28 years old, being a native of Johnson county. He received an appointment to the United States naval academy at Annapolis in May, 1890, through the efforts of Congressman W. J. Connell, and graduated from the four years' course of that institution in 1894. With the object of instruction in view he was then sent on a two-years' cruise on the Cincinnati. Returning to his studies at Annapolis, he graduated from the completed course at the head of his class.

Union Pacific Officials.

OMAHA, Nov. 23.—Horace G. Burt has been re-elected president of the Union Pacific Railroad company. He returned from New York, where a meeting of the directors of the Union Pacific and Oregon Short Line has been held to complete the annual election of officers. The executive personnel of the two roads for the coming year is as follows:

Union Pacific—Horace G. Burt, president; William D. Cornish, vice president; Alexander Millar, secretary; Frederick V. S. Crosby, treasurer; Erastus Young, auditor.

Oregon Short Line—Edward H. Harman, president; William D. Cornish, vice president; William H. Bancroft, vice president and general manager; Alexander Millar, secretary and comptroller; Frederick V. S. Crosby, treasurer.

Dies on Errand of Mercy.

O'NEILL, Neb., Nov. 23.—Thomas Coyne, one of the pioneers of the O'Neill colony, was found lying in the road four miles north of this place in an unconscious condition. An arm was broken, the side of his face considerably bruised and other injuries, coupled with the night's exposure, resulted in his death. Mr. Coyne came in from his farm about eight miles north of O'Neill with a load of potatoes which he donated to the committee having in charge the collection of a carload of provisions for St. James' Orphan's home of Omaha. He remained in the city until about midnight when he started for home. What happened on the road is not known, as he did not regain consciousness after being found, although it is generally supposed that he fell from his wagon.

Heavy Feeder Shipments.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 23.—During the week ending November 19, there were 379 cars, numbering 11,324 head of feeder cattle, shipped from this market to the country. Of the total number, 6,434 head went to Nebraska, while 4,405 head went to Iowa feed lots. No shipments were made to Kansas points, but 256 head were sent to Missouri, 21 head to Illinois and 78 head to South Dakota. As a feeder market South Omaha has forged way to the head this fall. Prices ruled high as long as good grades were being shipped to market, but have fallen off recently on account of the desirable grades having been marketed, poor stuff being shipped instead.

Hayward's Son at the Front.

NEBRASKA CITY, Nov. 23.—Dr. O. C. Heise, late surgeon in the Twelfth infantry, arrived home from Manila where his regiment has been stationed for several months. The doctor is not very enthusiastic over the Luzon climate, which he says was very injurious in its effects upon him. He resigned his commission on this account. Just before leaving Manila he met Dr. E. P. Hayward, son of Senator Hayward, who is a surgeon in the regular army. Dr. Hayward had just received an assignment for duty with one of the regiments stationed at the front.

THE GOVERNOR EXPLAINS.

What He Said and Meant in His Thanksgiving Proclamation.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 25.—Governor Poynter has been subjected to some criticism concerning the wording of his Thanksgiving proclamation, and recently the following request from the New York World asking for an explanation was received at the executive office:

Hon. W. A. Poynter, Governor of Nebraska, Lincoln: In your Thanksgiving proclamation you are quoted as using these words, "Lest we forget and lust of power causes us to forget the exalted mission of the republic and government of the people, for the people and by the people perish from us." Will you oblige the World by writing in 300 words your views on the Philippines; whether this has direct reference thereto. THE WORLD.

Governor Poynter replied as follows: New York World, New York City: Replying to your inquiry, would say your telegram quotes me incorrectly. My Thanksgiving proclamation says, "Acknowledging with grateful hearts His guiding hand in our growth to our present greatness, let us seek His aid lest we become proud, and a lust of power cause us to forget the exalted mission of the republic and a government of the people, by the people and for the people perish from the earth."

I was led to embody this thought from the tendency manifested in expressions and writings of many able men in the nation who advocate the doctrine of a colonial policy and a large standing army, either of which is contrary to the fundamental idea of our republic. The expressed determination to subjugate the people of the Philippines and treat with them afterward seems to me the policy of an empire rather than that of a republic.

A government which "derives its just powers from the consent of the governed" cannot hold a people in subjection by force. I believe in the God of Nations. I believe in His overruling providence in the establishment of our government founded upon the doctrine of equal rights. We may continue to ask His guidance as a nation so long as we adhere to the principles for the establishment of which He gave our fathers His aid. Forsaking these sacred principles, a people's government will perish from the earth.

W. A. POYNTER, Governor.

BANK'S ASSETS WILL BE SOLD.

Supreme Court Assures the German Savings That It is Insolvent.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 25.—In the case of the state of Nebraska against the German Savings bank of Omaha, the supreme court holds that the order appointing a receiver for the defendant constituted an adjudication that the corporation was insolvent and no appeal having been taken therefrom, the order was forever afterwards conclusive upon that question. This cause, or some phase of it, has been three times before the supreme court and as many opinions have been written.

The sole question the court was asked to determine was whether the district court had jurisdiction to make an order for the sale of the remaining assets of the bank. It was argued by the counsel for the bank that no such power existed until there had been entered a decree in the cause adjudging the insolvency of the corporation and ordering the affairs to be wound up. The opinion closes with the following:

"In the case at hand the order appointing McCague as receiver of the German Savings bank determined that the corporation was insolvent, and the question is no longer an open one. The proper time for the bank to have made that defense was before the receiver was appointed. It cannot do so now. The question of insolvency having been adjudicated the court was not without jurisdiction to order the real estate sold. There is nothing in the two previous decisions heretofore cited which is inconsistent with the views herein expressed. The order is affirmed."

The Shooting Not Justified.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 25.—Governor Poynter has decided to investigate the shooting of Deserter Morgan in Sarpy county by two soldiers from Fort Crook. Morgan and another man attempted to escape from the fort and Corporal Fair and Private Jockens were detailed to pursue them. Governor Poynter brought the matter to the attention of the attorney general this afternoon and that official will look up the law in the case. Speaking of the shooting of Morgan Governor Poynter this afternoon said:

"I am of the opinion that no man is justified in shooting another, except in instances where martial law has been declared. Nebraska is not under martial law and therefore those two soldiers were not justified in shooting. I do not know that they were ordered to shoot the deserter, but if they were, the superior officer who issued the command is just as guilty as they are. He has no right to issue such an order."

Falls While Running and Dies.

NORFOLK, Neb., Nov. 25.—Ex-County Judge L. Rote, one of the wealthiest farmers of Pierce county, died very suddenly on his farm eleven miles south of Pierce. He was in his field, when he saw a team crossing a corner of his land where he had for some time been trying to close up and old road. He started on the run to head off the trespasser, but fell before reaching him. His death was due to heart failure.

Robinson Leaves for Washington.

MADISON, Neb., Nov. 25.—Congressman John S. Robinson, accompanied by Mrs. Robinson, has left for Washington. They expect to stop at Wheeling, W. Va., Sunday with a sister; at Mrs. Robinson's and other old time friends, leaving there Monday for the capital.

Record Breaking Prices for Hogs.

SUPERIOR, Neb., Nov. 25.—At Geddes, a record for high prices was broken. Forty-two Poland-China pigs, all but one of them less than a year old, sold at prices averaging \$18.49. The top was \$31.

THURSTON IS MARRIED

Nebraska's Senior Senator Takes Up Himself a Wife.

A WEDDING WITHOUT ANY POMP.

Only Relatives and Intimate Friends Present at the Ceremony—The Bridal Party Start on a Tour to the South—Thanksgiving Dinner Will Be Taken in Omaha, and Then the Senator and His Wife Will Go to Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The marriage of Senator John M. Thurston and Miss Lola Purman was solemnized Saturday morning at 9 o'clock. Dr. Frank M. Bristol, of the Metropolitan Methodist church, and a warm personal friend of the senator's, officiating. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William J. Purman, 1428 Q street. The home of the bride was made into a floral bower for the occasion, palms and smilax, lending an effective background to a wealth of color, chrysanthemums and roses predominating. There was no pomp of ceremony attending the wedding; in fact, it was marked by the total absence of anything that would give it a set appearance, simplicity being the distinguishing characteristic of the occasion.

The bride, who is a tall and striking mezzo-blond, wore a gown of light gray venetian cloth filled in the throat and down the front with an embroidered panel of velvet of an ash of rose color, mounted by a black velvet collar and effectively trimmed with an applique pattern of black velvet extending down the front and around the bottom of the skirt. She carried a magnificent bouquet of pink roses and lilies of the valley, the gift of the groom. Her hat was of mode velvet, with plumes of the same color, and ornamented with cut glass to match.

After the ceremony the wedding breakfast was served. Senator and Mrs. Thurston, accompanied by Miss Purman, sister of the bride; Miss Rosamond Brockway of Boston and Mr. Carroll Purman, brother of the bride, left at 11:15 for a two week's trip south in Union Pacific private car 013. The itinerary includes stops at Alton, New Orleans, San Antonio, Galveston, Austin and Fort Worth. From Fort Worth the party will go to Denver, thence to Omaha for Thanksgiving, arriving in Washington Sunday, December 3.

The bride has the charm of manner peculiar to southern women, which she inherited from her mother, who was Miss Leadora Finlayson of the aristocratic old southern family of that name. She has bewitching blue eyes and lashes of raven hue. She is vivacious, a gifted conversationalist, sympathetic and thoroughly apprehensive of the position she is about to assume in the official life of Washington.

Reception to Capt. Kavanaugh.

TECUMSEH, Neb., Nov. 21.—The committee having the matter in charge has decided upon today as the time for citizens to extend the formal reception to Lieut. Arthur Kavanaugh, who was an officer on the Olympia with Dewey and who will at that time be on a visit to his parents and acquaintances in Tecumseh. He will then be presented with the beautiful sword which has been provided by his former fellow citizens. The lieutenant will be escorted from the home of his parents to the speakers' stand in the court house yard with a military and civic parade led by the band and participated in by local civic societies and citizens. Mayor eGorge Warren will have charge of the exercises and the presentation speech will be made by Judge S. P. Davidson.

Nebraska Indian Schools.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—The annual report of the commissioner of Indian affairs for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1899, shows that the capacity of all the Indian schools under government control in Nebraska is 509 pupils. The enrollment during the year, however, was 52, while the average attendance was but 456 pupils. Indian pupils are apparently welcomed in the public schools of Nebraska, as the report shows that room was made for 166; the enrollment was 167 and the average attendance was 79. The Congressional mission school at Santee has a capacity of ninety pupils, an enrollment of ninety-eight and an average attendance of seventy-five.

Request for Public Library.

FALLS CITY, Neb., Nov. 20.—The will of Lydia A. B. Woods was probated at Denver a few days ago, in which she bequeathed \$10,000 to this city for the establishment of a public library. A letter to this effect was received by Mayor Clegg and the matter is in the hands of the council, who is investigating the exact nature of the conditions that govern the gift. This same woman established a library in Humboldt before her death.

Crews Will Not Contest.

TRENTON, Neb., Nov. 21.—J. M. Crews, the defeated fusion candidate for sheriff, will not contest the election of the sheriff. Mr. Crews was the only fusion candidate defeated. He was running for the second term, as likewise the other elected county officers. All candidates put up a good, clean campaign and hard fight. The last election was one of the closest runs ever had in the county.

Nebraska in Washington.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—In the case of A. A. Woodbury against George R. Dudley, from the Sidney district of Nebraska, the secretary also affirmed the land office decision holding the Dudley timber culture entry for cancellation.

Nebraska postmasters appointed today: Seneca, Thomas county, John B. Wyatt, vice W. H. Killian, removed; Sparks, Cherry county, James H. Sears, vice G. H. Sawyer, resigned. Napoleon Washington has been appointed a watchman in the Omaha public building.

DEFENSE OF LADYSMITH.

The Boers Make a Determined Attack on November 9.

DURBAN, Natal, Nov. 20.—The Times of Natal publishes the following:

"The enemy made a determined attack on Thursday, November 9. Apparently all the Boer forces participated. Their artillery opened at 4 a. m., pouring in shells thick and fast upon the British positions, although with no great effect. They adopted the unusual tactics of advancing under cover of their positions on the ridges and kopjes adjacent to those occupied by the British troops early in the investment.

"Continuing their advance the Boers crept up, using every available bit of cover. Our infantry opened with a steady, warm and accurate fire, which beat back the enemy, notwithstanding the display of tenacity of purpose equal to their desperate stands on previous occasions. The Boer attack was most elaborate on all sides of the town.

"The main attack was made, however, between the Free State and Newcastle railway lines by a column chiefly of Johannesburg volunteers. A brigade of King's Royal Rifles corps made a splendid defense. The Boers were repulsed, but soon rallied and returned to the fight. Again the British fire, which was very hot, forced them to retire. They had made a deep trench in front of the British lines and while withdrawing from their horses they left this unguarded, whereupon the King's Rifles, advancing at double-quick, occupied the trench.

"This smart movement was not seen by the enemy, who soon returned with their horses. Carefully reserving their fire the King's Rifles allowed the Boers to advance almost to the edge of the trench and then poured volley after volley into the astounded Boers, who turned and fled from an awful hail of bullets, bolting across the open, where the artillery of the British poured in a terrible and effective shell fire. The enemy lost heavily, falling about in heaps.

"Meanwhile another section of the Boers had brought a mortar into action, firing heavy shells. Our guns, concentrating upon it, soon silenced this weapon, the enemy's artillery men fleeing headlong. The Boers then advanced in force with a view of repairing the mortar, but our artillery shelled and scattered them right and left. The fighting was all over at 11 o'clock.

GRADUALLY GROWING WEAKER.

Vice President Hobart Shows Signs of Approaching Death.

PATEDSON, N. J., Nov. 20.—Vice President Hobart passed the greater part of yesterday at the bedroom window, at times reading the newspapers and having Mrs. Hobart reading to him. He took less food than usual. This seems to indicate that his stomach trouble has returned. Mr. Hobart appeared to be as cheerful as ever and took a lively interest in the topics of the day as presented in the newspapers. There is no perceptible change in his condition, but his friends are now not as hopeful as they have been. They believe that the vice president is gradually growing weaker.

BURT TO CONFER WITH THEM.

Will Talk With Striking Machinists and Trouble May End.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Nov. 20.—The striking Union Pacific machinists and their employers are drawing near to a settlement of their differences. The machinists now ask for an advance to 33½ cents per hour, being an advance of 1 cent per hour over present prices, and have withdrawn their demand for an increase to 35 cents per hour after January 1.

President Burt is expected here tomorrow, and the men will have a conference with him.

Boers Concentrate Their Forces.

LONDON, Nov. 20.—An Orange River dispatch dated Thursday, November 16, says the Boers were then concentrating their forces outside of Kimberley. According to the latest advices from Jamestown, there had been no signs of a Basuto rising up to Saturday last. The Boers have renamed Allwal North, Oliversfontein, in honor of their commandant.

From Lourenzo Marquez comes a report that the three German officers, Colonel von Braun, Lieutenant Brute-witz and Lieutenant von Kunze, have arrived at Pretoria with the intention of joining General Joubert's staff. Woody is Much Improved.

Hayward Still Improving.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Nov. 20.—The condition of Senator Hayward is better tonight than it was twenty-four hours ago. The paralysis appears to be yielding to the treatment and the patient is able to use his limbs fairly well. While the senator is still in a precarious condition his physician has not given up hope that he may get up again. The distinguished patient is receiving the best of care and treatment and his friends all hope for a favorable outcome of the present attack.

Cubans Want Lower Duties.

HAVANA, Nov. 20.—The sugar planters of the Cienfuegos district have appointed a special committee to represent their interests at the New Year's banquet of the New York chamber of commerce. The committee will also visit other trade centers and endeavor to obtain lower duties on Cuban sugar at ports of the United States.

Jump in Leather and Hides.

CHICAGO, Nov. 20.—The Record tomorrow will say: All kinds of leather and hides in the United States and Canada have taken a sudden jump in price because of a general scarcity of the raw and manufactured material, putting the market almost in a state of panic. In the last sixty days the best grade of oak boots, which are used for belting, have advanced from 25 to 40 cents per pound and the first quality of oak sole leather, used in the making of boots and shoes, has risen from 24 cents to 35 cents.