

TRANSVAAL SITUATION

Nothing More Is Known Regarding the Negotiations That Negotiated Yesterday.

London's Stock Exchange Shows the Depressing Effects of the Strain.

LONDON, Sept. 5.—The latest news received in this city from various points in South Africa is contradictory. Nothing more is known regarding the status of the negotiations between Great Britain and the Transvaal than that learned yesterday. The officials of the British war office emphatically deny that the reserves have been called out or that any steps have been taken to that end.

The afternoon newspapers follow the lead of the morning papers in taking an extremely grave view of the situation, although the war office denial somewhat tends to allay the wildly alarmist reports current late last night.

The "four o'clock" news, the Standard and "Digger" News, today prints a dispatch from Pretoria saying that the tension there was apparently less severe and that it was believed arrangements for the proposed conference at Capetown would be completed, although President Kruger of the Transvaal republic is unlikely to attend.

The opinion of those who regard the beginning of a war between Great Britain and the Transvaal as only a matter of a short time is voiced by the St. James Gazette, which says today:

"The news concerning the crisis is very grave. We learn that three more infantry brigades have been ordered to Cape Colony, including the Gordons of Dargat fame; one battalion of the Highland Light infantry, who fought in Crete, the Second battalion of the Buffs, and the Second battalion of the Camerons. These regiments are under orders to be ready to leave at twenty-four hours' notice. The officers and men are delighted at the prospect of active service."

"In service circles war is considered absolutely certain. The admiralty has a number of transports ready to convey troops to Cape Colony. The Boers, while procrastinating in regard to their reply, have been making every preparation for war and are contemplating raiding the Natal frontier. Laing's Neck, which is the side route from the Transvaal to Natal, is undefended."

British Lenny Not Counted On

Capetown dispatches say that the Afrikaander papers print what purport to be a semi-official account of the recent four parlers. But as these credit Mr. Conyngham-Greene, the British agent in the South African republic, with saying that Great Britain was willing to abandon the question of British suzerainty if the proposals made at the Bloemfontein conference by Sir Alfred Milner, the governor of Cape Colony, and British high commissioner of South Africa, were accepted, they are not credited either at Cape Colony or here.

The second edition of the Times issued this morning contains a dispatch from Pretoria under date of September 4 saying:

"The predominant view is that the last dispatch opens up the way to a moderate, if not a full, British secretary of state for the colonies, relating to the seven-year franchise, have been practically complied with. This is the result of the influence of Herr Fisher, the special agent of the Orange Free State, with the read."

This dispatch, however, is at variance with the editorial views on the matter expressed by the Times this morning.

The gravity of the news in regard to the trouble in South Africa had a decidedly depressing effect on the stock exchange today all departments sympathizing.

Blockade in Philippines

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—The matter of making an effective blockade in the Philippines and especially around the island of Luzon, so as to prevent the insurgents from obtaining ammunition and supplies is one that is giving the administration considerable concern. It has not been deemed feasible to proclaim a blockade, as it would indicate a state of war and possibly open a way to the recognition of the insurgents.

Whether or not it is feasible to attack, subdue and garrison all the ports of Luzon which might serve as ports of supplies for the Filipinos has not yet been determined.

Heretofore there have not been sufficient troops in Luzon to make this possible and the question will now arise whether troops had best be spared for this purpose.

The president has been advised that the navy should be utilized for the purpose of preventing the introduction of contraband of war and supplies for the Filipinos. At every port a naval vessel could be stationed and under the military law of the island every incoming vessel could be made to exhibit its manifest. One trouble about carrying out this plan is the fact that there is not a sufficient number of light draught vessels to go into all the places where the Filipinos can receive their supplies.

Tecumseh had no representatives in the First Nebraska and was therefore unable to enjoy a personal celebration. Ensign Arthur Kavanagh of the Olympia belongs to that town, however, and plans are already maturing to give him an adequate welcome home.

THE NEWS prints the news.

OFFICIAL DEWEY RECEPTION.

To Be One of the Noteworthy Events in American History.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 5.—Preparations for the reception of Admiral Dewey in this city are rapidly assuming shape, and from the program, even in its present incomplete condition, the occasion will be one of the most noteworthy that has ever occurred in Washington.

The admiral's reception here will be largely in the nature of an official function, as its central feature will be the presentation of the magnificent sword voted to him by congress. The celebration will take place on the night of October 2 or 3. There will be an imposing parade, in which all the available naval and military forces of the United States, the district national guard, military bodies from states throughout the union and many organized civic bodies will participate.

There will be a general illumination of the city and the procession will be reviewed by President McKinley and Admiral Dewey. The governors of all the states and territories have been invited to be present. The presentation of the sword will take place upon a stand erected at the east front of the capitol building and it is believed that Admiral Dewey's home, which will be purchased by popular subscription, will be formally presented to him at the same time.

AN IMPORTANT FOOD LAW.

Heavy Penalties For Selling Articles of Food Containing Unhealthy Ingredients.

The following law was passed at the last session of the Missouri legislature, taking effect August 3, 1899: SECTION 1. That it shall be unlawful for any person or corporation doing business in this state to manufacture, sell or offer to sell any article, compound or preparation for the purpose of being used or which is intended to be used in the preparation of food, in which article, compound or preparation there is any arsenic, colic, bismuth, ammonium or alum.

SECTION 2. Any person or corporation violating the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, upon conviction, be fined not less than one hundred dollars, which shall be paid into and become a part of the road fund of the county in which such fine is collected. The operation of this law will be mainly against alum baking powders. But the manufacture or sale of any article of food or article intended to be used in food which contains any of the substances classed by the law as unhealthy—from arsenic to alum—is absolutely prohibited.

A Quiet Wedding.

From Wednesday's Daily. The wedding of Mr. E. A. Brodie and Miss Ida Busche was solemnized at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe McMaken at 11 o'clock today, County Judge George M. Spurlock officiating. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Busche of Cedar Creek, and has many friends. The groom is a cigarmaker and has for the past six months been employed in Julius Pepperberg's factory. The happy young couple departed for Denver on the afternoon Burlington train where they will reside in the future, Mr. Brodie having secured a position there. THE NEWS extends its best wishes for their future prosperity.

Picnic in the Forty.

From Wednesday's Daily. Fitzgerald's "forty" was the scene of a merry picnic party last evening, a large number of people having gone out there with well-filled baskets to get away from the heat of the city. A fine supper was served and it was a source of great pleasure to all, especially the children. The following families and their children made up the party: F. J. and D. C. Morgan, George and Fred Lehnhoff, T. H. Pollock, G. M. Spurlock, W. L. Pickett, Clayton Barber, Charles Eads, C. C. Parmelee, A. E. Goss, E. D. Cummins and Miss Alice Easton, Miss Bessie Giger, Miss Martin and James Patterson.

The Delinquent Tax List.

The county commissioners have let the contract for printing the list of delinquent taxes for 1898 to the Weeping Water Republican at the full legal rate. The contract was secured for the Republican through the efforts of Commissioner Zink of the Third district, that paper being published in his district. THE NEWS congratulates the Republican on its good fortune.

Labor in German Ship-Yards.

To recruit skilled laborers in large numbers was at first a problem of difficulty—especially at Wilhelmshafen, an entirely new place. They had to be coaxed there from other ship building cities by all sorts of premiums and inducements in the way of dwellings, supplies, wages, etc. Now there is a large force of workmen on hand, quite sufficient for usual requirements, but easily capable of increase in numbers in special cases.

Private yards, busy for the most part with merchant steamers, but also with war vessels for the German navy, have recently increased very greatly both in number and size. For sea-going vessels there are not less than forty-nine yards, of which thirty are on the coast of the North Sea and nineteen on the shores of the Baltic. In addition there are seven yards on the Rhine and in Westphalia, and three on the Elbe, which build boats principally for river and canal traffic, but also undertake to deliver smaller vessels, suitable for coast trade.—Rudolph Haack, in The Engineering Magazine for September.

The Otoe county old settlers' picnic, which was adjourned in July on account of the bad weather, will be held in Morton's park, Nebraska City, September 29 and 30.

STOLE A PAIR OF SHOES

Sixteen-Year-Old Annie Frisch Is Guilty of Theft.

In Trying to Exchange Them, She Is Discovered—County Commissioners Seek to Compel the Treasurer to Transfer \$820.76 to the General Fund—Other Important News.

From Wednesday's Daily. Annie Frisch, a sixteen-year-old girl residing with her parents near the stand-pipe, stole a pair of shoes from Herold & Son's store last evening. She was looking at some shoes with a view of purchasing, but could not find a suitable pair, so she said. Henry Herold waited on her, and when his back was turned it seems she found a pair that suited her very well, and took them with her without his knowledge or consent.

Nothing was known about the theft until this morning, when the girl returned with the shoes and wanted to exchange them for a larger pair. The shoes which the girl stole were No. 3, and she wanted to get a pair three sizes larger. James Herold waited on her this time and the fact that she had made such a great mistake aroused his suspicions. When he questioned the girl about the mistake she became alarmed and stated she would keep the ones she had.

City Marshal Slater went to the girl's home this morning and while he was talking to the mother about the matter another member of the family returned the shoes. The girl who did the pilfering was not at home, but it is known where she is and it is likely that an effort will be made to send her to the reform school. The girl is at Geneva, she having spent one term at that institution.

Mandamus for the Treasurer.

J. P. F. Ito, G. W. Young and Turner Zink, county commissioners, today filed papers in the district court instituting mandamus proceedings against Treasurer A. R. Eikenberry to compel him to transfer \$820.76 of South Bend precinct fund to the general fund.

A special election was held in South Bend precinct on June 27, 1882, and \$3,000 bonds were voted for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a bridge across the Platte river. A levy was made to run fifteen years for the purpose of paying off the bonds and the interest. In 1897 the bonds were paid and \$820.76 in excess of the amount needed had been paid into the treasury. The land is very rolling in that country and as a result the roads are in bad condition, and the commissioners are desirous of expending the amount left out of this bond fund to put them in passable condition. Treasurer Eikenberry does not know whether or not he has the right to make the transfer, hence the action of the commissioners.

GATHERING OME.

[Written for the Union Worker, the official organ of the Nebraska Woman's Christian Temperance Union, Mrs. M. M. Claffin, editor, Ord, Neb.] "The Plattsmouth union is now sitting under the shadow of a great sorrow. We quote from their weekly paper:

"The entire community was inexpressibly shocked a few days ago by the news of the death of Grandma Winslow, which occurred this morning about 10 o'clock, August 23, at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Stephen A. Davis, on Pearl street.

"This mother and daughter were one in all Christly work, and as a stalwart of the temperance cause she was prized, and it may be said of her, 'many daughters have done virtue, O mother, but thou excellest them all.' Mrs. Winslow was a woman of rare womanly graces. Her lips moved not but in commendation and support of all that uplifted and protected sinning, sorrowing souls. She was another 'Saint Catherine's' whose faith never faltered, whose wise counsel led her allies out into wider, safer battling ground. No word of censure was ever heard lipsed by her tongue nor discouragement suggested by her sweet responsive face, which was always lighted with patient earnestness.

"Her generosity was marked by her liberality, her purse was never closed to the cry of the distressed, and one of her last acts was to infuse new life into her local union by pledging fifty dollars if the society would duplicate that sum, which would give this union a memorial name in Memorial hall in the Willard temple, which proposition the society accepted.

"Mrs. Winslow was superintendent of the Mother's meetings, who, by her wide experience and Godly counsel lifted many a mother onto a higher plane of exalted motherhood. She was called suddenly to her crowning, but she had on the wedding garment and her lamp was filled and burning. Though the call was at the midnight hour, she heard gladly 'go ye out to meet the bridegroom,' and the acclaim of her triumph lingers like ambrosia from the perfumed palms of that sinless shore.

"In the loss of Mother Winslow we sit for the moment in sack cloth and ashes that a princess in Israel has fallen. But with her heroic career burned in to our memories we must arise from this stroke of sorrow stronger and more courageous comrades, to push the battle to a triumphant finish. This being our consolation—'our people die well.'"

ISABELLA SPURLOCK. LOST. In neighborhood of Plattsmouth, a black frock coat. Leave at NEWS office and receive reward. P. S. SNYDER, Agent for Dr. Bersuch.

CITY AND COUNTY.

WEDNESDAY.

Editor J. K. Keithley of the Weeping Water Republican was in the city today.

Walter Cole of Weeping Water transacted business in Plattsmouth today.

Mrs. William Moran of Nebraska City is the guest of her uncle, J. D. McBride and family.

Jesse Schafer and family went to Wymore this afternoon, where they will visit relatives for a few days.

Captain J. A. T. Hoover, George Shoeman and P. A. Jacobson of Louisville were county seat visitors today.

F. P. Sheldon, the Nebraska merchant and editor of the Nebraska Register, was in town today in the interest of his paper.

Frederick Stohman and Mrs. Sylvester Johnson, from near Louisville, were in county court today on business with the Johnson estate.

Burlington passenger No. 19 was run through in two sections this morning, the second section being a harvest excursion enroute to the west.

Final settlement of the accounts of Aaron C. Loder, guardian of the estate of Aon and Martin Mahoney, incompetent, was had in county court today.

There were over 200 in attendance at the Methodist Sunday school picnic at the Goose Grove yesterday, and everyone had a delightful time, notwithstanding the intense heat.

Misses Laura and E. H. Zink spent the day with their father, Commissioner Zink, being on their return from a week's visit with friends at Creston, Ia. They went home this evening.

James S. Voss, wife and daughter returned to their home in Upland, Neb., this morning after a visit in this city with the former's father, E. J. Sampson. Mr. Sampson is the mercantile business in Upland.

Chief of Police Sater today received from Ben Bridgford at Ord the description of a twelve-year-old boy who ran away from that place and for whose apprehension a \$25 reward is offered. He is dressed in a blue suit with knee pants.

THE NEWS has just added a large number of fonts of the latest faces of job type. The office was well supplied with type, but in order to furnish up-to-date work, all of the latest styles of type are secured. If you are in need of any kind of job work try THE NEWS.

The school board has granted the contract for furnishing coal for the ensuing year. Weekbach & Co. were granted the contract for furnishing steam coal at \$2.65 per ton and W. J. White was given the contract for the screen lump for the ward schools at \$3.12 per ton.

The room just west of the hotel office in the Riley block is being fitted up for Charles Johnson's barber shop. New bath tubs are being put in and it is being fixed up in first-class order. The room to be vacated by Mr. Johnson in the Riley basement will be occupied by Newell & Jones, the commission firm.

George Voss and William Keithley came up from Kansas City this morning, having been called here on account of the death of the former's mother. Mr. Keithley is an old-time Plattsmouth printer, having been connected with the Morning Mail and was also foreman in the Herald office. He is now with the Great Western Type foundry, in Kansas City.

Ezra Sampson recently received a letter from his son, W. L., who has been in the Klondike country for the past two years. He is meeting with better success than the majority of Nebraska people by reason of having gone into the country early enough to get good claims. He owns three claims individually and has a half interest in two others. The latter claims have been paid for by the gold taken from them. He was offered \$15,000 for one claim, but would not take it. It is expected that he will come out of the country independently rich.

THURSDAY.

D. J. Pitman of Murray was in the city today.

Miss Flora Donovan came in from Ashland this morning.

County Clerk James Robertson made a business trip to Louisville today.

J. K. Keithley of the Weeping Water Republican returned home this morning by the way of Omaha.

Eddie Mumm has been suffering with an attack of malarial fever for several days, but is improving now.

C. S. Carter of Galveston, Tex., is in the city visiting his brother, Wallace Carter, of the district clerk's office.

S. H. Atwood shipped his household goods to Lincoln today and his brother, A. W. Atwood, is moving into the house.

Judge B. S. Ramsey was sufficiently recovered from his illness as to be able to go to Nebraska City and open court today.

W. R. Boose, the science instructor in the high school, arrived in the city today from Falls City, where he spent his vacation.

The mercury registered at 100 in Recorder Hay's office yesterday at 4 o'clock and today at that time it was 22 degrees lower.

Hiram George Robine has resigned his position in the Burlington blacksmith shop. Hiram thought he was too heavy for such light work.

The funeral of Mrs. Voss was held from the residence at 2 o'clock this afternoon, conducted by Rev. Baird.

A large number of sympathetic friends followed the remains to the grave.

J. H. Harris of Seward was in the city today visiting his brother, J. W. Harris, who is in jail awaiting trial for the murder of the man at Elmwood.

Lige O'Neill and family departed last evening for the Republican valley, where he will take charge of a large stock ranch, having sold the ferry boat to his brother-in-law, James Ault.

County Commissioner Turner Zink departed this morning for Beatrice, having in charge Walter Helms, the ten-year-old boy who was brought down from Greenwood a month ago. He is subject to fits and will be given treatment in the feeble minded institution.

An outing party with a tent, plenty of provisions and all the paraphernalia for camping out, went up to the Platte river this afternoon for a few days' outing. The party consisted of August Gorder and family, Mrs. Fred Gorder of Weeping Water, Misses Annie and Louise Gorder, Miss Cora Boyer, Miss Dora Wehrlein, Mrs. Frank Seelmeier and John Gorder. August says he does not know whether he will fish or cut bait, but thinks he will do the latter. The party anticipates a pleasant outing.

Marriage Permits.

The following marriage licenses have been granted by County Judge Spurlock:

Name and Residence.	Age.
Frank Johnson, Omaha	23
Mrs. Katie Wolf, Omaha	24
Charles Shoup, Plattsmouth	27
Clara E. Chalko, Plattsmouth	27
Matthew Ferguson, Marshall	29
Edith Miller, Marshall	29
J. E. Brodie, Plattsmouth	27
Edith Brodie, Plattsmouth	27

NEBRASKA NEWS.

The corn is standing up for Nebraska, but a heavy frost at Beatrice put on 25,000 acres of corn one day last week.

John C. Smith, a German farmer living near Auburn, was probably fatally injured by a fall. The animal had been tethered, but knocked the victim down and trampled him.

The prospect of a fine corn crop in the vicinity of Beatrice was good until Monday last week, when a hot wind came along and damaged the corn a considerable amount.

The Nebraska Pioneer has issued a souvenir number, commemorative of its twenty-fifth birthday. Its first apprentice and likewise the first white boy born in Nebraska is T. P. Sturges of Omaha.

Quartermaster Frank Myers of the Second regiment has been mentioned as a candidate for major of his regiment. He has written a letter in which he says he has not made a canvass and that he is not a candidate. Captain E. J. Straight of Lincoln, Captain Ernest H. Phelps of Schuyler and Captain John W. McDonnell, formerly in command of Company D, Fairbury, are still in the race.

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENTS.

Order to Show Cause.

In the District Court of Cass county, Nebraska, in the matter of the estate of Jacob Frederick Huber, deceased. This cause came on to be heard at Chambers upon the petition of John D. Ferguson, as administrator of the estate of Jacob Frederick Huber, deceased, praying for license to sell lots one hundred forty (140), one hundred twenty-four (124), two hundred thirty-three (233), three hundred twenty-one (321), three hundred twenty-two (322), three hundred twenty-three (323), four hundred twenty-four (424), one hundred twenty-five (125), one hundred eighty-eight (188), one hundred eighty-nine (189), three hundred thirty-eight (338), three hundred thirty-nine (339), three hundred forty (340), six hundred eight (608), six hundred seven (607), six hundred eighty-five (685), six hundred eighty-six (686), six hundred eighty-seven (687), five hundred fifty-five (555), two hundred forty-eight (248), five hundred forty-four (544), one hundred twenty-five (125), one hundred eighty-eight (188), one hundred eighty-nine (189), three hundred thirty-eight (338), three hundred thirty-nine (339), three hundred forty (340), six hundred eight (608), six hundred seven (607), six hundred eighty-five (685), six hundred eighty-six (686), six hundred eighty-seven (687), seven hundred twenty-six (726), seven hundred twenty-seven (727), seven hundred twenty-eight (728), seven hundred twenty-nine (729), seven hundred thirty (730), seven hundred thirty-one (731), seven hundred thirty-two (732), seven hundred thirty-three (733), seven hundred thirty-four (734), seven hundred thirty-five (735), seven hundred thirty-six (736), seven hundred thirty-seven (737), seven hundred thirty-eight (738), seven hundred thirty-nine (739), seven hundred forty (740), seven hundred forty-one (741), seven hundred forty-two (742), seven hundred forty-three (743), seven hundred forty-four (744), seven hundred forty-five (745), seven hundred forty-six (746), seven hundred forty-seven (747), seven hundred forty-eight (748), seven hundred forty-nine (749), seven hundred fifty (750).

It is therefore ordered that all persons interested in said estate appear before me at the office of the clerk of the district court at Plattsmouth, in Cass county, Nebraska, on the 15th day of October, 1899, at 2 o'clock, p. m., to show cause why a license should not be granted to said administrator to sell so much of the above described real estate of said deceased as shall be necessary to pay said debts and expenses. And that this order be published in the Standard-Weaver News-Herald for four successive weeks, commencing Tuesday, the 29th day of August, 1899.

Dated this 21st day of August, 1899. JAMES H. RAMSEY, Judge of the District Court. Byron Clark and C. A. Rawls, Attorneys for Estate.

Probate Notice.

In the County Court, Cass county, Nebraska, in the matter of the estate of William Young, deceased. Francis M. Young, Jane Doock, David A. Young, Nell S. Stafford, and all other persons interested in said matter, are hereby notified that on the 22nd day of August, 1899, David A. Young filed a petition in said court, alleging among other things, that William Young died on the 25th day of April, 1899, leaving a last will and testament, and possessed of real estate in the county of Nebraska, valued at \$1,000.00 and that the above-named constitute all the persons interested in the estate of said deceased, and praying for the probate of said will and for administration of said estate. You are hereby notified that if you fail to appear before said court on the 22nd day of September, 1899, at 2 o'clock, p. m., to contest the probate of said will, the court may allow and probate said will and grant administration of said estate to Francis M. Young or some other suitable person and proceed to a settlement thereon.

Witness my hand and the seal of said court at Plattsmouth, Nebraska, this 28th day of August, 1899. GEORGE M. SPURLOCK, County Judge. First publication August 29, 1899.

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