

### BURGHERS GET AWAY

#### French Driven Back by Their Fire When He Attacked.

Was a Little Too Quick for the Infantry, So It Is Said Now—Boers Were Surprised and Had to Leave Their Food Unmolested to Escape—New Deal of Boer Leaders—Both in Chief Command in Natal—Kruger's Speech at Bloemfontein.

Osfontein, Wednesday, March 7.—Lord Roberts' movement today again thoroughly surprised, outwitted and outmaneuvered the Boers, who fled almost without firing a shot. The plan of battle was as follows: General Colville's division extended along the north bank; General Tucker held the center reserve, and the Guards' brigade had the center advance. General Kelly-Kenny's division was ordered to make a flanking movement on the Boer left, following General French, who was instructed to move southeast until opposite the Boer flank, and then to swing around the rear. Every movement was admirably executed and entirely unexpected. The Boers were surprised, as was evident from the state of the deserted camps. Twice the British cavalry was almost in a position to charge, but they admit that they were foiled by the maneuvering of the Boers.

**Boers Estimated at 14,000 Men.**  
When last seen General French was pursuing the enemy vigorously. He was between the Tlokoeng and about eleven miles from the right wing. General Colville merely demonstrated against a high mountain occupied by the Transvaal troops, who are now fleeing, in consequence of the flight of the Free States south of the river. It is impossible at present to give the Boer numbers, but it is estimated that they reach 14,000, all of whom are now in flight. The Boers were in such a hurry to get that they left their dinners behind.

**How the Boers Checked French.**  
London, March 9.—The Standard publishes the following dispatch from Pretoria, dated March 8: "The movements of the mounted men were somewhat too rapid for the supporting infantry, and as a result the Boer position was turned before the main body could strike effectively. The Boers fell back precipitately, and extending to the southeast checked the advance of the British cavalry with a heavy rifle fire at 800 yards range. Accordingly General French moved southward and outflanked the Boers, but the Boers repeated their tactics."

**Says the Boer News Is Misleading.**  
Hollawell, The Daily News correspondent at Mafeking, who passed two days in a prison, says that last week and was recaptured sixty miles from Pretoria, sends a dispatch to his paper dated Pretoria jail, March 2, via Lourenço Marques, describing the Boer tactics and the Boers' views by their officials regarding the course of the war. He adds: "Great dissatisfaction exists among the Boers, as their supplies of food, especially meat, coffee and sugar, are very irregular and many threaten to return to their farms."

#### NO MENTION OF GEN. JOUBERT.

Boths to Command in Natal—Batch of News from Boer Sources.  
Boer Camp, Biggarsberg, March 5.—At a general council of war held today Louis Botha was appointed lieutenant general for Natal, and Lukas Meyer, Schalkburger, David Joubert, Daniel Erasmus, and J. E. van der Merwe as major generals. The selections have given lively satisfaction to the burghers.

**Freteria, March 6.**—A special dispatch from Bloemfontein says that President Kruger, addressing a crowd of people, said: "Although God is testing our people my personal opinion is that the limit of the test is nearly reached. If the people are sustained by faith in the time of adversity God will soon again turn the tide in our favor. If we have strong faith in God he will not deliver us. The God of deliverance of the olden time is the same God now." The speech of the venerable president brought tears to the eyes of men and women alike. The Free State's national anthem was then sung.

**The visit of President Kruger** has done much good and has cheered the despondent. President Kruger more recently has been selecting the commanders south of Bloemfontein.

**Fighting is proceeding at Mafeking.** All the outside forts except one have been taken by the Boers.

Much satisfaction is expressed in all circles at the victory extended to General Cronje by the British.

#### OVATION TO QUEEN VICTORIA.

She Visits London and the People Fall Over Each Other.  
London, March 9.—Queen Victoria and the people of the greatest city in her empire yesterday celebrated the victories which they believe have transformed the campaign in South Africa from one of reverse into one of success. That is, the day was the day of the unbounded, the unparalleled, enthusiasm, with which hundreds of thousands hailed their sovereign. In many ways these demonstrations outdid those of the diamond jubilee, although there were no glittering pageants, no triumphal arches, no procession of princes; but only a dozen Life Guards followed by a little old lady in the plainest black costume, and who for a few days' stay at Buckingham palace, as she had done many a time before.

Yet her hold upon the hearts of her people was probably never more strikingly manifested.

Yesterday popular outburst was almost impromptu. The depth of feeling which these demonstrations represented could only be gauged by those who mingled with the crowd. Mothers in deep mourning for sons killed on the far off field struggled bravely with the most furious to catch a glimpse of the queen, whose womanly sympathy and thoughtfulness for the soldiers had touched their hearts. As one very old woman said: "I've seen her many a time, but she said she was sorry for my boy, and I must see her again before I die."

Intermingled with the rejoicings of patriotism there was a particularly keen appreciation of the queen's personality—her womanliness, her great age. This little touch of reverence for sex rather than for sovereignty rendered the huge crowds perfectly tractable in the hands of the good-natured police and it was not a hard task to induce them to surge back and to make

### IN PERFECT CONCORD

#### Administration and Congress do Not Differ on Porto Rico.

**Argument He Makes to Prove His Allegation—President Does Not Believe Free Trade with a Constitutional Right of the Porto Ricans, and Did Not Say So, It Is Claimed—Comments on the Proposed Amendments to the Hay-Pauncefote Nicaragua Canal Treaty.**  
Washington, March 9.—A member of the cabinet last night gave out the following authoritative statement: "There has been a wide misapprehension of the Porto Rico tariff bill, of the attitude of the president, and of the action of congress and of their relations to each other. \* \* \* The attempt to represent that there has been a disagreement between the president and congress is wholly unfounded. There has been no essential difference between them. Both have sought the same object. The recommendation of the president and the passage of the bill in their purpose and effect, amount to the same thing. \* \* \* The president in his annual message of Dec. 4 urged that the customs duties on trade between Porto Rico and the United States be removed. Imports from Porto Rico into the United States have been and are now paying the Dingley rates. \* \* \* The president felt that Porto Rico should be relieved of this burden."

#### GEN. HARRISON CHAGRINED.

**Doesn't Like the Stories That He Is a Candidate for President.**  
Indianapolis, March 9.—The News says that General Harrison, who is chagrined that his name should be so freely used in the newspapers of the country in connection with public questions now undergoing consideration. The persistent efforts of some newspaper writers to make it appear that he is planning of step forward as an anti-administration leader, with the hope that he may be called on to become a candidate for president, is, it is said, especially distasteful to him. His friends say that he hasn't the slightest desire of re-entering politics, and that all his efforts to his political aspirations are gratuitous.

"One man who is near the former president makes this statement: 'You may say that if General Harrison had any thought of re-entering politics, he would not be so busy with his administration. Referring to Harrison's recent declaration against the Porto Rican tariff bill, the fact is, this man said that General Harrison's mind had not changed since he retired from the presidency. He said at that time that he had retired from politics to stay, and it is stated that he has never had the least desire to reappear before the public as an aspirant for re-election to the presidency.'"

**Committed Suicide Late in Life.**  
Hot Springs, Ark., March 9.—D. R. Brooks, a wealthy resident of Manhattan, Minn., killed himself here by sending a bullet through his brain. Brooks was 72 years old, and for the last six years spent the greater part of his time in traveling to and from his home, invested in timber lands in this country. Yesterday morning he hitched his saddle horse in front of the postoffice, then sent himself on a bench in the park, pushed back his hat and fired the bullet into his head. He fell over dead.

**Roman Catholic Bishop Appointed.**  
Cincinnati, March 9.—Unofficial advices from Rome announced the selection of Henry Moeller, secretary and chancellor of the arch diocese of Cincinnati as bishop of Columbus. The papal approval is expected within a few days. Father Moeller has received no notification from Rome and refuses to say anything on the matter whatever. It is evidently believed here that he has been elected as bishop of Columbus.

**Washington, March 9.**—Several conferences were held with the president yesterday on the pending reciprocity treaty with France, with the result, it is thought, that the French government will be communicated with on the proposition to extend the time for the ratification of the treaty. By the terms of the treaty action must be taken thereon before the 24th of the present month.

**Brewer Held Without Bail.**  
Chicago, March 9.—Ex-Alderman Peter Brewer, of the Tenth ward, was arraigned before Justice Kersten, charged with attempt to murder Mrs. Frank Woodin, whom he shot while in Fowler's saloon, 445 North Clark street, on Tuesday night. The case was continued to March 17 to wait the result of medical examinations, and Brewer was held without bail.

**Couldn't Wash Out the Virus.**  
Fort Dodge, La., March 9.—Three public school teachers, who are Christian Science believers, submitted to compulsory vaccination under orders of the school board and then immediately went home and washed the virus off. They were not quick enough, however, as one of the trio has already been forced by a very sore arm to stay at home.

#### DAIRY INTERESTS ARE HEARD.

**Urge the Imposition of a Ten Cent Tax on Oleomargarine.**  
Washington, March 8.—The dairy interests of the country had a hearing yesterday before the house committee on agriculture on the "butter and Vermont for a 10 cent tax per pound on imitation butter, and giving states authority over this matter, even when brought from other states. Ex-Governor Board, of Wisconsin, president of the National Dairy and Farmers' National Congress, and H. C. Adams, dairy and food commissioner of Wisconsin, were heard in favor of the bill.

The hearing became quite spirited as it proceeded, owing to criticisms of the manner of enforcing the oleomargarine law at some points, particularly Chicago. It was stated by representatives of the dairy interest that the authorities did not seek to stop the oleomargarine trade as it yielded such large returns in revenue to the government. Prosecutions were infrequent, and in some instances indictments had stood for three years without being brought to an issue. One speaker exhibited packages which oleomargarine was sold in Chicago bearing the outside labels saying they were "pure Jersey creamery butter."

### PLATTSMOUTH, NEB., MARCH 9, 1900.

#### FLANKS THEM AGAIN.

**British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.**  
British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.

**Discharged for Joining a Union.**  
Washington, March 9.—David J. Brooks, of Philadelphia, testified before the industrial committee yesterday. His evidence was similar to that of several other members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, who said that he had been discharged by officials of the Philadelphia and Reading company, who, he stated, intimidated that his action was taken because of his connection with the brotherhood.

**One Document That Pays No Tax.**  
Washington, March 9.—The commissioner of internal revenue has decided that the check of receipt given for a bicycle transported on a passenger train along with the owner, is not subject to war revenue tax.

#### AFRAID HE'LL GROW FEATHERS

**Negro Upon Whom the Egg-Film Skin-Grafting Was Tried.**  
Indianapolis, March 9.—The second successful operation of skin grafting by using the skin of an negro, first agreed to by the patient, has been accomplished at the city hospital here by Dr. W. V. Morgan and other physicians of that institution. The subject is Scott Smith, a colored man. A microscopic examination shows that the skin of the eggs is now a part of the skin of Smith's body, but it remains white, while the other skin is black.

**Hardest Work to Come Yet.**  
London, March 8.—E. H. Hales, the correspondent of The Daily News who was captured by the Boers Feb. 9, and released a few days ago at Bloemfontein, telegraphing from Sterkfontein, says: "While I was a prisoner at Bloemfontein I had an interesting interview with President Steyn. He said the burghers were determined to fight to the last man, and that the struggle in the Free State would be a hard one. He compared with what would follow in the Transvaal. President Steyn predicted that the capitulation of Pretoria would be preceded by events which would astonish Europe. He appointed a deputy president to remain at Bloemfontein during his absence at Pretoria in the interests of the Free State."

**Green Takes the Irish Question.**  
London, March 8.—An army order issued last night announces that the queen has ordered that in future on St. Patrick's day all ranks of her Irish regiments shall wear a distinction a sprig of shamrock in their head dress, to commemorate the gallantry of her Irish soldiers in the recent South African campaign. It has been decided that Queen Victoria will visit Ireland next month, staying at the vice regal lodge in Dublin, which has been placed at her disposal by the viceroys, Earl Cardigan. Her majesty's last visit to Ireland was in 1861.

**Arrest of an Alleged Murderer.**  
Auburn, Ind., March 9.—Marshal Hilkey has arrested a man here who answers the description of Harry Bowden, wanted in Chicago for the murder of Hugh O'Neill Feb. 7 last. The prisoner gives his name as William Doyle and says he was working in the South African campaign. He has been remanded to jail.

**Died at Schweinfurt's Heaven.**  
Rockford, Ill., March 9.—Mrs. Rachael Norton, the oldest follower of Schweinfurt, died at the "heaven" south of this city Tuesday. She was 83 years of age and left her home in this country to join the Schweinfurt movement at its inception. It is announced the Christian Scientists will have charge of the services.

**Indian Woman Attempts Suicide.**  
Barron, Wis., 9.—Mrs. Passaquina Marino, an Indian woman in jail here awaiting trial, attempted suicide by jumping from the third story window of the jail. She was rescued and intended to cut her throat, but her courage failed her. She was injured about the spine and is in a critical condition.

**Safe of a Brewing Company Looted.**  
Pawtucket, R. I., March 7.—Burglars entered the office of the Hand Brewing company during the night and stole a safe containing \$5,000. It is said between \$3,000 and \$4,000 is missing.

**Ex-Banker Convicted of Wracking.**  
LaCrosse, Wis., March 9.—J. R. Clements, of this city, who has been on trial in Caledonia, Minn., for the past ten days on a charge of fraudulent banking at LaCrosse, was found guilty.

#### NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

**Flying Fox, winner last year of the Derby and three other big British races, has been sold for \$196,000—the highest price for a horse.**

**Students at Bordeaux, France, who had attended an anti-British meeting attacked the British consulate and the consul's private residence with stones. Several of the crew of the cruiser Newark are down with the smallpox.**

**Fire at Lead, S. D., destroyed forty buildings and caused a loss of \$500,000.**

**Russian Quakers talk of establishing 21,000 colonists in south California.**

**The United States annually produces 5,200,000 pounds of aluminum, valued at \$1,750,000.**

**The Burlington, Mo., Women's Home Club engaged to the practice of pre-emptive war by sending tons of independent government, which would soon become England's creature—a power in respect to the protection of herself along the line of the canal in the event of war, which would revert to England the ultimate owner of the canal and successor of Egypt.**

**In other words, as an administrative official of it, England's condition of affairs would be to suppose the United States now to make a treaty with Nicaragua and Costa Rica relative to a canal containing a clause granting those nations power to take such measures as they deem necessary in time of war—implying, of course, the right to close the canal against a foe. Such a clause might be political and statesmanlike, it is said, in the event that the United States government cherished a purpose to some time in the near future annex Nicaragua and Costa Rica; otherwise the canal**

### PLATTSMOUTH, NEB., MARCH 9, 1900.

#### FLANKS THEM AGAIN.

**British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.**  
British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.

**Discharged for Joining a Union.**  
Washington, March 9.—David J. Brooks, of Philadelphia, testified before the industrial committee yesterday. His evidence was similar to that of several other members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, who said that he had been discharged by officials of the Philadelphia and Reading company, who, he stated, intimidated that his action was taken because of his connection with the brotherhood.

**One Document That Pays No Tax.**  
Washington, March 9.—The commissioner of internal revenue has decided that the check of receipt given for a bicycle transported on a passenger train along with the owner, is not subject to war revenue tax.

#### AFRAID HE'LL GROW FEATHERS

**Negro Upon Whom the Egg-Film Skin-Grafting Was Tried.**  
Indianapolis, March 9.—The second successful operation of skin grafting by using the skin of an negro, first agreed to by the patient, has been accomplished at the city hospital here by Dr. W. V. Morgan and other physicians of that institution. The subject is Scott Smith, a colored man. A microscopic examination shows that the skin of the eggs is now a part of the skin of Smith's body, but it remains white, while the other skin is black.

**Hardest Work to Come Yet.**  
London, March 8.—E. H. Hales, the correspondent of The Daily News who was captured by the Boers Feb. 9, and released a few days ago at Bloemfontein, telegraphing from Sterkfontein, says: "While I was a prisoner at Bloemfontein I had an interesting interview with President Steyn. He said the burghers were determined to fight to the last man, and that the struggle in the Free State would be a hard one. He compared with what would follow in the Transvaal. President Steyn predicted that the capitulation of Pretoria would be preceded by events which would astonish Europe. He appointed a deputy president to remain at Bloemfontein during his absence at Pretoria in the interests of the Free State."

**Green Takes the Irish Question.**  
London, March 8.—An army order issued last night announces that the queen has ordered that in future on St. Patrick's day all ranks of her Irish regiments shall wear a distinction a sprig of shamrock in their head dress, to commemorate the gallantry of her Irish soldiers in the recent South African campaign. It has been decided that Queen Victoria will visit Ireland next month, staying at the vice regal lodge in Dublin, which has been placed at her disposal by the viceroys, Earl Cardigan. Her majesty's last visit to Ireland was in 1861.

**Arrest of an Alleged Murderer.**  
Auburn, Ind., March 9.—Marshal Hilkey has arrested a man here who answers the description of Harry Bowden, wanted in Chicago for the murder of Hugh O'Neill Feb. 7 last. The prisoner gives his name as William Doyle and says he was working in the South African campaign. He has been remanded to jail.

**Died at Schweinfurt's Heaven.**  
Rockford, Ill., March 9.—Mrs. Rachael Norton, the oldest follower of Schweinfurt, died at the "heaven" south of this city Tuesday. She was 83 years of age and left her home in this country to join the Schweinfurt movement at its inception. It is announced the Christian Scientists will have charge of the services.

**Indian Woman Attempts Suicide.**  
Barron, Wis., 9.—Mrs. Passaquina Marino, an Indian woman in jail here awaiting trial, attempted suicide by jumping from the third story window of the jail. She was rescued and intended to cut her throat, but her courage failed her. She was injured about the spine and is in a critical condition.

**Safe of a Brewing Company Looted.**  
Pawtucket, R. I., March 7.—Burglars entered the office of the Hand Brewing company during the night and stole a safe containing \$5,000. It is said between \$3,000 and \$4,000 is missing.

**Ex-Banker Convicted of Wracking.**  
LaCrosse, Wis., March 9.—J. R. Clements, of this city, who has been on trial in Caledonia, Minn., for the past ten days on a charge of fraudulent banking at LaCrosse, was found guilty.

#### NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

**Flying Fox, winner last year of the Derby and three other big British races, has been sold for \$196,000—the highest price for a horse.**

**Students at Bordeaux, France, who had attended an anti-British meeting attacked the British consulate and the consul's private residence with stones. Several of the crew of the cruiser Newark are down with the smallpox.**

**Fire at Lead, S. D., destroyed forty buildings and caused a loss of \$500,000.**

**Russian Quakers talk of establishing 21,000 colonists in south California.**

**The United States annually produces 5,200,000 pounds of aluminum, valued at \$1,750,000.**

**The Burlington, Mo., Women's Home Club engaged to the practice of pre-emptive war by sending tons of independent government, which would soon become England's creature—a power in respect to the protection of herself along the line of the canal in the event of war, which would revert to England the ultimate owner of the canal and successor of Egypt.**

**In other words, as an administrative official of it, England's condition of affairs would be to suppose the United States now to make a treaty with Nicaragua and Costa Rica relative to a canal containing a clause granting those nations power to take such measures as they deem necessary in time of war—implying, of course, the right to close the canal against a foe. Such a clause might be political and statesmanlike, it is said, in the event that the United States government cherished a purpose to some time in the near future annex Nicaragua and Costa Rica; otherwise the canal**

### PLATTSMOUTH, NEB., MARCH 9, 1900.

#### FLANKS THEM AGAIN.

**British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.**  
British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.

**Discharged for Joining a Union.**  
Washington, March 9.—David J. Brooks, of Philadelphia, testified before the industrial committee yesterday. His evidence was similar to that of several other members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, who said that he had been discharged by officials of the Philadelphia and Reading company, who, he stated, intimidated that his action was taken because of his connection with the brotherhood.

**One Document That Pays No Tax.**  
Washington, March 9.—The commissioner of internal revenue has decided that the check of receipt given for a bicycle transported on a passenger train along with the owner, is not subject to war revenue tax.

#### AFRAID HE'LL GROW FEATHERS

**Negro Upon Whom the Egg-Film Skin-Grafting Was Tried.**  
Indianapolis, March 9.—The second successful operation of skin grafting by using the skin of an negro, first agreed to by the patient, has been accomplished at the city hospital here by Dr. W. V. Morgan and other physicians of that institution. The subject is Scott Smith, a colored man. A microscopic examination shows that the skin of the eggs is now a part of the skin of Smith's body, but it remains white, while the other skin is black.

**Hardest Work to Come Yet.**  
London, March 8.—E. H. Hales, the correspondent of The Daily News who was captured by the Boers Feb. 9, and released a few days ago at Bloemfontein, telegraphing from Sterkfontein, says: "While I was a prisoner at Bloemfontein I had an interesting interview with President Steyn. He said the burghers were determined to fight to the last man, and that the struggle in the Free State would be a hard one. He compared with what would follow in the Transvaal. President Steyn predicted that the capitulation of Pretoria would be preceded by events which would astonish Europe. He appointed a deputy president to remain at Bloemfontein during his absence at Pretoria in the interests of the Free State."

**Green Takes the Irish Question.**  
London, March 8.—An army order issued last night announces that the queen has ordered that in future on St. Patrick's day all ranks of her Irish regiments shall wear a distinction a sprig of shamrock in their head dress, to commemorate the gallantry of her Irish soldiers in the recent South African campaign. It has been decided that Queen Victoria will visit Ireland next month, staying at the vice regal lodge in Dublin, which has been placed at her disposal by the viceroys, Earl Cardigan. Her majesty's last visit to Ireland was in 1861.

**Arrest of an Alleged Murderer.**  
Auburn, Ind., March 9.—Marshal Hilkey has arrested a man here who answers the description of Harry Bowden, wanted in Chicago for the murder of Hugh O'Neill Feb. 7 last. The prisoner gives his name as William Doyle and says he was working in the South African campaign. He has been remanded to jail.

**Died at Schweinfurt's Heaven.**  
Rockford, Ill., March 9.—Mrs. Rachael Norton, the oldest follower of Schweinfurt, died at the "heaven" south of this city Tuesday. She was 83 years of age and left her home in this country to join the Schweinfurt movement at its inception. It is announced the Christian Scientists will have charge of the services.

**Indian Woman Attempts Suicide.**  
Barron, Wis., 9.—Mrs. Passaquina Marino, an Indian woman in jail here awaiting trial, attempted suicide by jumping from the third story window of the jail. She was rescued and intended to cut her throat, but her courage failed her. She was injured about the spine and is in a critical condition.

**Safe of a Brewing Company Looted.**  
Pawtucket, R. I., March 7.—Burglars entered the office of the Hand Brewing company during the night and stole a safe containing \$5,000. It is said between \$3,000 and \$4,000 is missing.

**Ex-Banker Convicted of Wracking.**  
LaCrosse, Wis., March 9.—J. R. Clements, of this city, who has been on trial in Caledonia, Minn., for the past ten days on a charge of fraudulent banking at LaCrosse, was found guilty.

#### NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

**Flying Fox, winner last year of the Derby and three other big British races, has been sold for \$196,000—the highest price for a horse.**

**Students at Bordeaux, France, who had attended an anti-British meeting attacked the British consulate and the consul's private residence with stones. Several of the crew of the cruiser Newark are down with the smallpox.**

**Fire at Lead, S. D., destroyed forty buildings and caused a loss of \$500,000.**

**Russian Quakers talk of establishing 21,000 colonists in south California.**

**The United States annually produces 5,200,000 pounds of aluminum, valued at \$1,750,000.**

**The Burlington, Mo., Women's Home Club engaged to the practice of pre-emptive war by sending tons of independent government, which would soon become England's creature—a power in respect to the protection of herself along the line of the canal in the event of war, which would revert to England the ultimate owner of the canal and successor of Egypt.**

**In other words, as an administrative official of it, England's condition of affairs would be to suppose the United States now to make a treaty with Nicaragua and Costa Rica relative to a canal containing a clause granting those nations power to take such measures as they deem necessary in time of war—implying, of course, the right to close the canal against a foe. Such a clause might be political and statesmanlike, it is said, in the event that the United States government cherished a purpose to some time in the near future annex Nicaragua and Costa Rica; otherwise the canal**

### PLATTSMOUTH, NEB., MARCH 9, 1900.

#### FLANKS THEM AGAIN.

**British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.**  
British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.

**Discharged for Joining a Union.**  
Washington, March 9.—David J. Brooks, of Philadelphia, testified before the industrial committee yesterday. His evidence was similar to that of several other members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, who said that he had been discharged by officials of the Philadelphia and Reading company, who, he stated, intimidated that his action was taken because of his connection with the brotherhood.

**One Document That Pays No Tax.**  
Washington, March 9.—The commissioner of internal revenue has decided that the check of receipt given for a bicycle transported on a passenger train along with the owner, is not subject to war revenue tax.

#### AFRAID HE'LL GROW FEATHERS

**Negro Upon Whom the Egg-Film Skin-Grafting Was Tried.**  
Indianapolis, March 9.—The second successful operation of skin grafting by using the skin of an negro, first agreed to by the patient, has been accomplished at the city hospital here by Dr. W. V. Morgan and other physicians of that institution. The subject is Scott Smith, a colored man. A microscopic examination shows that the skin of the eggs is now a part of the skin of Smith's body, but it remains white, while the other skin is black.

**Hardest Work to Come Yet.**  
London, March 8.—E. H. Hales, the correspondent of The Daily News who was captured by the Boers Feb. 9, and released a few days ago at Bloemfontein, telegraphing from Sterkfontein, says: "While I was a prisoner at Bloemfontein I had an interesting interview with President Steyn. He said the burghers were determined to fight to the last man, and that the struggle in the Free State would be a hard one. He compared with what would follow in the Transvaal. President Steyn predicted that the capitulation of Pretoria would be preceded by events which would astonish Europe. He appointed a deputy president to remain at Bloemfontein during his absence at Pretoria in the interests of the Free State."

**Green Takes the Irish Question.**  
London, March 8.—An army order issued last night announces that the queen has ordered that in future on St. Patrick's day all ranks of her Irish regiments shall wear a distinction a sprig of shamrock in their head dress, to commemorate the gallantry of her Irish soldiers in the recent South African campaign. It has been decided that Queen Victoria will visit Ireland next month, staying at the vice regal lodge in Dublin, which has been placed at her disposal by the viceroys, Earl Cardigan. Her majesty's last visit to Ireland was in 1861.

**Arrest of an Alleged Murderer.**  
Auburn, Ind., March 9.—Marshal Hilkey has arrested a man here who answers the description of Harry Bowden, wanted in Chicago for the murder of Hugh O'Neill Feb. 7 last. The prisoner gives his name as William Doyle and says he was working in the South African campaign. He has been remanded to jail.

**Died at Schweinfurt's Heaven.**  
Rockford, Ill., March 9.—Mrs. Rachael Norton, the oldest follower of Schweinfurt, died at the "heaven" south of this city Tuesday. She was 83 years of age and left her home in this country to join the Schweinfurt movement at its inception. It is announced the Christian Scientists will have charge of the services.

**Indian Woman Attempts Suicide.**  
Barron, Wis., 9.—Mrs. Passaquina Marino, an Indian woman in jail here awaiting trial, attempted suicide by jumping from the third story window of the jail. She was rescued and intended to cut her throat, but her courage failed her. She was injured about the spine and is in a critical condition.

**Safe of a Brewing Company Looted.**  
Pawtucket, R. I., March 7.—Burglars entered the office of the Hand Brewing company during the night and stole a safe containing \$5,000. It is said between \$3,000 and \$4,000 is missing.

**Ex-Banker Convicted of Wracking.**  
LaCrosse, Wis., March 9.—J. R. Clements, of this city, who has been on trial in Caledonia, Minn., for the past ten days on a charge of fraudulent banking at LaCrosse, was found guilty.

#### NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE.

**Flying Fox, winner last year of the Derby and three other big British races, has been sold for \$196,000—the highest price for a horse.**

**Students at Bordeaux, France, who had attended an anti-British meeting attacked the British consulate and the consul's private residence with stones. Several of the crew of the cruiser Newark are down with the smallpox.**

**Fire at Lead, S. D., destroyed forty buildings and caused a loss of \$500,000.**

**Russian Quakers talk of establishing 21,000 colonists in south California.**

**The United States annually produces 5,200,000 pounds of aluminum, valued at \$1,750,000.**

**The Burlington, Mo., Women's Home Club engaged to the practice of pre-emptive war by sending tons of independent government, which would soon become England's creature—a power in respect to the protection of herself along the line of the canal in the event of war, which would revert to England the ultimate owner of the canal and successor of Egypt.**

**In other words, as an administrative official of it, England's condition of affairs would be to suppose the United States now to make a treaty with Nicaragua and Costa Rica relative to a canal containing a clause granting those nations power to take such measures as they deem necessary in time of war—implying, of course, the right to close the canal against a foe. Such a clause might be political and statesmanlike, it is said, in the event that the United States government cherished a purpose to some time in the near future annex Nicaragua and Costa Rica; otherwise the canal**

### PLATTSMOUTH, NEB., MARCH 9, 1900.

#### FLANKS THEM AGAIN.

**British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.**  
British Loss Reported as Light, While the Boer Loss Reported as Heavy. The Boer Trench-Digging Is of No Avail.

**Discharged for Joining a Union.**  
Washington, March 9.—David J. Brooks, of Philadelphia, testified before the industrial committee yesterday. His evidence was similar to that of several other members of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, who said that he had been discharged by officials of the Philadelphia and Reading company, who, he stated, intimidated that his action was taken because of his connection with the brotherhood.

**One Document That Pays No Tax.**  
Washington, March 9.—The commissioner of internal revenue has decided that the check of receipt given for a bicycle transported on a passenger train along with the owner, is not subject to war revenue tax.

#### AFRAID HE'LL GROW FEATHERS

**Negro Upon Whom the Egg-Film Skin-Grafting Was Tried.**  
Indianapolis, March 9.—The second successful operation of skin grafting by using the skin of an negro, first agreed to by the patient, has been accomplished at the city hospital here by Dr. W. V. Morgan and other physicians of that institution. The subject is Scott Smith, a colored man. A microscopic examination shows that the skin of the eggs is now a part of the skin of Smith's body, but it remains white, while the