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NEAR JOHANNESBURG.

British Reported Within Eight Miles of That Place.

BOERS DON'T WAIT AT KLIP RIVER.

So Closely Pressed That They Just Had Time to Save Their Guns.

But They Saved Them, as Usual—French and Hamilton Apparently Engaged—Farmers Surrendering Arms.

London, May 29.—The war office publishes the following dispatch from Lord Roberts:

"Klip River, Transvaal, May 28, 5:25 p. m.—We marched twenty miles today and are now eighteen miles from Johannesburg. The enemy had prepared several positions which they intended to oppose us, but they abandoned one after the other as we neared them. We pressed them so hard that they had only just time to get their five guns into train and to get as soon as possible of the Westralian infantry dashed into it.

French and Hamilton Engaged. "French's and Hamilton's forces are apparently engaged with the enemy about midday, but they are firing has been heard since noon. The farmers near our line of advance are surrendering with their arms and horses. Battle occupied position on May 24. No report of what took place has reached me yet."

Omni Party Ready to Emigrate. "H. J. Whigham has just returned to Lourenzo Marquez from Pretoria, where he went disguised. He writes that Kruger has all the arrangements made for flight, presumably to Holland. A special train, provisioned, is always ready with steam up. The train waits some distance from Pretoria."

Transvaal Much Demoralized. "H. J. Whigham, in a dispatch to The Daily Mail, dated May 28, says: 'The demoralization of the Transvaal is remarkable. Panic and confusion prevail everywhere. The Boers are weary of the war and full of fear as to the coming of the British. Operations were being carried on for encircling Pretoria with telegraphic communications. Fighting was in progress. The defenses were connected with headquarters and with the Staats artillerie, but this apparently was the only defensive measure adopted. There were no other visible preparations. Not much gold is likely to be found in the treasury. The salaries of the officials and judges have not been paid, or have been paid only in national bank notes, which will be worthless when Lord Roberts arrives. The seat of government will be removed to Waterlooville, a small station on the Delagoa Bay Railway line, and then, if necessary, to Lydenburg."

EXPERIMENT IN SEA WARFARE. Million Dollar Torpedo Used as a Target—The Results. London, May 29.—Replying in the house of commons yesterday to a question on the subject of Saturday's naval experiment, the British first-class battleship Majestic fired upon and sank the Spanish torpedo boat Belle Isle, near Portsmouth, in nine minutes, the first loss of the admiralty. George J. Goschen, said that to the extreme surprise of the naval men the Belle Isle did not sink until she had been hit in six minutes after the firing commenced.

He explained that the spectators, being at a distance from the ship, were misled by volumes of steam and lyddite smoke. Goschen added that there was a slight smouldering in one cabin of the Belle Isle, but that otherwise the vessel was destroyed and scattered in every direction, was not consumed by fire to any degree. The experiment was instituted specially to see whether the woodwork of the Belle Isle would burn as the woodwork of the Spanish ship destroyed by the Americans had burned. The Belle Isle originally cost \$1,200,000 and was in good order.

Rescued Action on Amusements. Chicago, May 29.—The action of the Methodist general conference, Saturday in passing a resolution favoring the retention of the rules against dancing and kindred amusements was reversed by the delegates Monday morning. On motion of Dr. J. M. Buckley the measure passed at the former session was ordered laid on the table by a vote of 256 to 253. The measure passed on Saturday was in the shape of a minority report made by the committee on the subject of the church and provided that the rules against amusements be retained in the discipline.

Changes in the Loan Wage Scale. Indianapolis, May 29.—The conference of representatives of the Republic Iron and Steel company and its allied interests with the national league officers of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers has resulted in some changes in the iron wage scale. The association's committee and representatives of the tin and sheet mill owners will meet in Chicago or New York within a few days and consider the scales proposed by the convention.

Discrimination in Insolation. San Francisco, May 29.—Federal Judge Morrow has granted an injunction to prevent the federal and local health authorities from discriminating against the Chinese in the matter of precautions against the plague. This means that the Chinese cannot be forcibly inoculated with anti-plague serum and that they cannot be prevented from entering or leaving San Francisco by the federal quarantine officers.

Bank Robbers Get \$8,000. Kansas City, May 29.—A special force of police arrested a party of five who blew open the safe of the Clarke Exchange bank, secured \$8,000 in currency and escaped, leaving no clew. The bank carried burglar insurance to the amount of \$2,000.

Murder Over 10 Cents. Atlanta, Ga., May 29.—On Peters street Dick Holmes and Tom Smith quarreled over 10 cents and Holmes plunged a dagger through Smith's heart before any of the bystanders could interfere.

DEATH OF JUDGE REA.

Ex-Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army Joins the Majority.

Minneapolis, Minn., May 29.—Judge John P. Rea, commander-in-chief of the G. A. R. in 1887-8, died at his home on Nicolet Island at 6 p. m. yesterday from a disease pronounced hardening of the brain.

John P. Rea was born at Lower Oxford, Chester county, Penn., Oct. 13, 1840. In 1867 he was graduated in the classical course at Ohio Wesleyan university; removed to Minneapolis Jan. 2, 1867, and was editor of the Minneapolis Tribune from Jan. 10, 1867, to May 1, 1877.

He entered the army as a private in Company B, Eleventh Ohio infantry, April 16, 1861. He was promoted for gallantry several times and Nov. 25, 1863, he was brevetted major for gallantry in action at Cleveland, Tenn. He was appointed judge of the fourth judicial district in April, 1886, and was elected successful candidate for re-election in the fall of that year and served until July, 1890, when he resigned.

"INDIGNANT CITIZENS" AGAIN. He Blows Out a Dam Without Waiting for Lawful Removal.

Benldji, Minn., May 29.—The Scanlon & Gypson dam, recently erected across the Mississippi river at the outlet of Lake Benldji, was blown out by a body of indignant citizens Sunday morning. The dam was built without any fishway and without an act of congress. The back water from the dam flooded the cellars of many of the business houses in Benldji. The village board of health formally condemned the dam as an obstruction of the Mississippi river and ordered its removal. The dam just been completed by Scanlon & Gypson for the purpose of running saw logs from Lake Benldji to Chip Lake.

News Was About Two Months Old. London, May 29.—A dispatch received at the colonial office from Accra, British gold coast, announces that Colonel Wilcock's relief force, which had only just started for Koomassie, has been met with opposition. One officer is reported wounded. The Accra dispatch of yesterday which reported that three European officers were killed and one captain and 100 Europeans wounded, seems to refer to the fighting which occurred a couple of months ago.

Prayer Failed to Save the Girl. Milwaukee, May 29.—Genevieve Kane, living at 59 Sixth street, died Sunday from burns while her family were at church praying for her recovery. Sunday morning, while operating a gas stove, her clothing caught fire, and she was so severely burned she was taken to the emergency hospital. At 11 a. m. the members of her family went to church. When they came out at 12:30 p. m. they were informed that she was dead.

Lafayette Derby a Walker. Cincinnati, May 29.—The thousands of lovers of thoroughbred racing who gathered at Lafayette yesterday to see what promised to be the greatest Derby of the year met with bitter disappointment. The race proved to be a farce. Lieutenant Gibson was the only starter, and simply had to gallop around the track to win the big purse. The other horses had been withdrawn owing to the heavy track.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe Is 81. Boston, May 29.—In the midst of flowers sent in generous quantities by friends from all over the country, Mrs. Julia Ward Howe, one of the foremost women of the country, received her friends Sunday, on the 81st anniversary of her birth. Her husband's congratulatory note poured in. Mrs. Howe is in excellent health.

Production of Iron Ore. Marquette, May 29.—The production of ore and shipments up to date are somewhat in excess of what they were during the same time last year. It is not the scarcity of ore which is delaying ore boats into the grain trade. It is due to the fact that a greater part of the ore than ever before is this year being carried on contract.

Killed Before 600 People. Pewaukee, Wis., May 29.—Chief Engineer John Conway, of the Martin flats, Milwaukee, was instantly killed at the station in this city yesterday while attempting to board the 6:10 p. m. excursion train. The accident occurred before the eyes of fully 600 people who were waiting to take the train for Milwaukee.

Girl's Body in a Pond. Terre Haute, Ind., May 29.—In a pond near Youngstown the body of Emily Price, aged 18 years, a daughter of a well-known farmer of this county, was found some time ago, but had been employed in the household of a prominent farmer who lives near the scene of the tragedy. It is not clear where the case is one of murder or suicide, but the people of Youngstown incline to the belief that the girl met with foul play.

Victim of Cigarettes. Valparaiso, Ind., May 28.—Guy Cannon, a prominent young society man of Kouts, this county, is dead of excessive cigarette smoking. For a number of years Cannon had been addicted to the cigarette habit and consumed an enormous number daily. His nervous system became impregnated with the poisonous fumes, and physicians warned him against further indulgence. The habit had become so firmly entrenched, however, that it was impossible for him to break it, and death ensued.

Rateford's Successor. Washington, May 29.—It is understood that the president has decided to appoint a member of the industrial commission to succeed M. D. Rateford, resigned. Mr. Charles Leitchman of Massachusetts, formerly general secretary-treasurer of the Knights of Labor.

Presidential Nominations. Washington, May 29.—The president has sent the following nominations to the senate: E. R. Stackable, collector of customs for the district of Hawaii; Sergeant Major F. McC. Smith, Thirty-eighth U. S. V., to be first lieutenant.

More Outrages by "Boxers." Tientsin, May 29.—The "Boxers" burned the Liuliao station on the Luan railway, twenty miles from Pekin. They also wrecked the truck, destroyed a number of cars and murdered several Chinese employes. The Belgian engineers in charge of the work are safe at Fingtai. The "Boxers" are marching on toward Pekin.

WELLINGTON'S BLAST.

Maryland Senator Scores John Bull for Fighting Boers.

CHAMBERLAIN ACCUSED OF CRIME.

Conspiracy with Rhodes to Steal the Rand Gold Mines—Lion's Tail Gets a Rough Twist.

Washington, May 29.—In the course of a speech in favor of the adoption of a resolution expressing the senate's sympathy for the Boers yesterday Wellington referred to a secret understanding existing between the United States and Great Britain. When Lodge demanded proof that such an understanding existed Wellington said that in the circumstances it was difficult to present tangible proof, but he believed the proof could be found in the secret archives of the state department. Lodge replied that under our form of government no such understanding could exist, and as the secretary of state had emphatically denied the existence of an alliance or understanding he believed the country would accept his statement as true.

Is in Favor of Going to War. Wellington was very radical in his anti-British views. The American people, he maintained, were in profound sympathy with the Boers who were struggling for liberty against unjust odds. "Unless we wish to be recant to our duty we must act," he exclaimed, "and unless we act quickly it will be too late." He discussed at length the origin of the pending war and declared that what Great Britain was unable otherwise to accomplish she accomplished by misrepresentation and libel. He denounced England for what he declared was its policy of aggression against the Boers driving them from place to place, each of which had been purchased by the money of the Boers and baptized with their blood. Despite the treaties of friendship between the Boers and Great Britain they were violated, because, he maintained, "England never kept a promise where it was to her advantage to break it."

Charge Chamberlain with Conspiracy. "England had determined to gain possession of the rich gold mines of the Transvaal," said Wellington, "and the conspiracy organized by Cecil Rhodes and Joseph Chamberlain developed into one of the wildest tragedies of modern times." He declared the United States government need have no fear of acting in the matter, as Great Britain would not go to war with us, and the United States government should give the Boer enemy the same cordial welcome as had been extended to them by the people of the country. But this reception was being withheld by the government because of an understanding between this government and Great Britain.

SOUTH DAKOTA MEN COLLIDE. Pettigrew and Kyle Exchange the Compliments of the Season.

Washington, May 29.—The senate was considering a bill for a commission to Paris came up and the political animosities of its members were mentioned. Mallory of Florida, who is a member of the commission, at the request of Pettigrew announced the political affiliations of the members of the commission. When he reached the name of Kyle of South Dakota he remarked: "The senator from South Dakota can no doubt tell the politics of his colleagues," laughingly commented Pettigrew.

"The junior senator from South Dakota," retorted Kyle warmly, "is able to take care of his own politics and is satisfied the people of South Dakota will take care of the politics of the senator [Pettigrew] at the coming election."

A man with such a variety of politics as my colleague," Pettigrew said, "was interrupted by Kyle, 'Not as much of a variety as my colleague has.'"

"An unman," continued Pettigrew, "to define the politics of my colleague, but he has a decided leaning toward patronage, on which I care not to comment." [Laughter.]

WE WILL RETALIATE ON GERMANY. Mus: Not Tax Our Products on Protective Lines To Much.

Washington, May 29.—As a result of conferences yesterday between President J. W. Springer, of Denver, of the National Live Stock association, and members of congress, relative to the German meat inspection bill, the following bill was introduced in the house by Representative Bailey of Kansas:

"That whenever the president of the United States shall be informed that the government of the German empire has passed a law imposing prohibitory duties on meat products which may be imported into that country from the United States, he shall issue a proclamation fixing a time when an article produced or manufactured in the German empire, when entered for consumption at the ports of the United States, shall pay a duty of 10 per cent. in excess of duties imposed thereon prior to the passage of this act."

The bill was referred to the ways and means committee and Springer saw members of that committee with a view to urging early action.

Decided Against Dewey. Washington, May 29.—The United States supreme court has decided Admiral Dewey's bounty claim against the admiral's contention. The effect is to deprive the admiral and the men engaged with him at Manila of half the amount claimed by them. Chief Justice Fuller delivered a dissenting opinion.

Rumor of Salisbury's Retirement. London, May 29.—A rumor was current in the lobbies of the houses of parliament, which was said to have originated at the Carlton club, that Mr. Marquis of Salisbury was retiring from politics at the next general election.

Redmond Goes to Dublin. London, May 29.—John Redmond, chairman of the United Irish Parliamentary party, started for Dublin yesterday to arrange for the Irish national convention which is to take place on June 19.

FIRE IN A COPPER MINE.

One of the Calumet and Hecla Company's Is Still Burning.

Calumet, Mich., May 29.—The effort to get under control the fire in shaft No. 2 of the Calumet and Hecla company continues. The shaft house in No. 2 was torn down and the opening covered with heavy beams. The shafts adjoining are being similarly covered. The gas is working through the entire mine and is coming through fifty acres of surface from the innumerable crevices in the earth caused by the gradual caving of the older workings of the mine near the surface.

It will probably be necessary to build a special kiln for the preparing of carbonic acid gas and another the fire, as was done twelve years ago. The Calumet and Hecla is the richest mine in the world, and is valued at \$75,000,000 by the market price of shares on Saturday last. It paid dividends of \$10,000,000 last year. It has shafts over a mile deep, and employs upwards of 5,000 men.

OBJECTIONS TO THE NEGRO. Alleged Guilty of a Brutal Crime, Escaping on a Technicality.

Carbondale, Ills., May 29.—George Lacey, a negro, was chosen census enumerator for this city several weeks ago and his appointment has led to a tremendous sensation based on charges which have appeared in a local Republican paper. The paper alleges he was convicted by a jury of criminal assault in Cape Girardeau county, Missouri, several years ago on a technicality was never punished.

The people are aroused over the matter and threats are made by many residents that he can never enter their homes in the performance of his official duties as enumerator. The excitement of the Smith-Roberts fight for congress has intensified the feeling greatly, as Lacey is an adherent of Representative Smith. It is hardly probable that trouble can be avoided during the census taking.

Memorial Day Programme. Charlotte, Mich., May 29.—Arrangements are about perfected for the proper observance of Memorial day here. The public exercises will be held in the public square and an excellent programme has been arranged. Hon. Cyrenus P. Black, of Lansing, will deliver the address. The decoration of the graves will occur at the conclusion of the exercises. There will be a complete absence of games and sports this year.

Combine of Paper Men. Milwaukee, Wis., May 29.—Formal steps for the organization of the paper manufacturers of Wisconsin and Minnesota were taken yesterday when the Wisconsin Paper Association was organized in the general paper company of Wisconsin, with a capital of \$100,000. Thomas E. Nash, of Centuria, and George A. Whiting and William Z. Stuart, of Neenah, are named as incorporators in the articles of incorporation.

Scores at Base Ball. Chicago, May 29.—League clubs yesterday made the following base ball scores: At Pittsburg—New York 0, Pittsburg 14; at Chicago—Brooklyn 12, Chicago 7; at St. Louis—Philadelphia 11, St. Louis 4; at Cincinnati—Rain 1.

American League: At Milwaukee—Minneapolis 5, Milwaukee 3; at Buffalo—Cleveland 2, Buffalo 4; at Indianapolis—Rain.

Sixty-Five Wants to Marry 15. Spearville, Ills., May 29.—Nelson Brown, 65 years of age, applied for a license to marry Miss Minnie Snyder, a girl of 13 years. The license was refused him, though the girl's mother gave her consent. The girl was left on a train for Chicago, to be cared for by the mother, and will be married there.

Brothers Take Sisters to Wife. Red Bud, Ills., May 29.—Lydia and Anna Nagel, of this city, sisters, aged 21 and 19 years old respectively, and William and Henry Bruns, of St. Louis, brothers, 29 and 27 years old respectively, were married at the Lutheran church Sunday afternoon by Rev. Mr. Link.

Kansas Wants Men in Her Wheat Fields. Topeka, Kas., May 29.—Kansas wants 20,000 men to help save her enormous wheat crop. State Grain Inspector McKenzie, who has just returned from the Kansas wheat belt, says the state will harvest 85,000,000 bushels, and that harvesting will begin in southern Kansas by June 12.

NEWS FACTS IN OUTLINE. Pennsylvania won the dual track and field contest against California yesterday by 70 points to 30.

The British notice of lords has passed the deceased wife's sister bill to its second reading.

Socialist demonstrations in Pere Lachaise cemetery, Paris, resulted in serious riots.

Anti-Roman Catholic disturbances broke out at Peckham, England, Sunday, and the police charged on and dispersed the Protestants.

Pope Leo pronounced the beatification of seventy-seven missionaries who lost their lives in China between 1798 and 1856.

Army officers in Havana indignantly deny the charges that they are living extravagantly.

Richard B. Coker's conscience troubled him so much that he confessed having retained \$200 belonging to his Chicago employer.

Charles Woodward, noted Chicago diamond thief, operating in Germany, has been identified through Bertillon's system.

New London, Wis., is now free from smallpox.

An outbreak of scarlet fever is prevailing at Harvard, Wis.

Orlando Hadley, a farmer, 35 years of age, living near Viroqua, Wis., committed suicide by cutting his throat.

Lucy Holden, 13 years old, was instantly killed by lightning at Chicago. Her companion Drake, of Alda, Ia., brother of ex-Governor F. M. Drake, died suddenly at the Great Northern hotel, Chicago. He was 73 years old.

Germany has thirty-six fewer bicycle factories than it had last year.

During the last five years the United States fish commission has liberated nearly 500,000 young lobsters, artificially hatched, on the Massachusetts coast.

Gold Found in Kentucky. Frankfort, Ky., May 29.—Gold has been discovered in Sulphur Lick Creek, a branch of Elkhorn, near Elmville, this county. The find is to be developed.

KRUGER ASKS ADVICE.

Refers Question of More War to the Burghers.

ROBERTS IS NORTH OF THE VAAL.

Advance Force Got Over Just in Time to Save the Coal Mines.

Boer Troops Re-Occupy Kuruman, and Are Very Active in Front of Buller's Army—View of a Special.

London, May 28.—President Kruger, according to a special dispatch from Newcastle, has issued a proclamation asking the Transvaal burghers to notify him whether they desire to continue the fight or to sue for peace.

Kroonstad, May 28.—Gen. Hamilton has invaded the Transvaal, having crossed at Wonderfontein drift.

Roberts is Across the Vaal. London, May 28.—The war office has received the following from Lord Roberts:

"Vereeniging, May 27, 1:15 p. m.—We crossed the Vaal this morning

and are now encamped on the north bank. The advance troops, which crossed yesterday, were only just in time to save the coal mines on both sides and the other side of the river from being destroyed. Our casualties were four.

Barrow-Fowell reports that the railway between Mafeking and Bulawayo has been restored and that supplies are being brought into Mafeking. He says the Canadian artillery joined Col. Plumer from Beira with incredible rapidity.

Lieut. Webber was taken prisoner at Heilbron a few days ago. He went there on telegraph duty. It was not known that our troops had been temporarily withdrawn.

Boer Fight Against It. Newcastle, May 28.—The Boers in this part of the theatre of war are very active, having been reinforced from various directions. Their front now extends from Lating's neck to New Republic, where they are fortifying. General Hildyard's division, which is entrusted primarily with attacking the Boer right at Elanablaagte, arrived Saturday. The work of searching the district is progressing, and many rebels have been sent to Ladysmith.

London, May 28.—A dispatch from Taitsoob, dated May 26, says: General French crossed the Vaal at Lindene's drift yesterday and General Henry, with mounted infantry, today. They pushed forward and nearly succeeded in saving the bridge, only the northernmost span being destroyed. All the refugees agree that the mines will be destroyed. The Boers are taking a position at Klip river drift, having left the Vaal. The commandants have assembled to discuss the advisability of continuing the struggle. Meanwhile there is a force of the enemy at Myerton.

TRANSVAALERS TREK HOMEWARD. How It Looks to a Correspondent When He Sees the Hills.

Groott's twenty-three south of Vereeniging, May 27.—Lord Roberts' northern advance force steadily continues, and today the Transvaal hills were sighted. General French has seen

an excellent flanking position on the northwest. There is something irresistible about this advance. The troops have been splendidly handled and the Boers, completely outmaneuvered, have been forced to abandon their positions at the first appearance of the British flanking force, which has made a determined resistance at the Vaal impossible.

Many Transvaal burghers are now trekking homeward, and it is safe to say that the most irreconcilable Transvaal at last recognizes the hopelessness of the struggle. Most of the farms in the northern part of the Free State where the ties of blood with the Transvaal are strongest, have been deserted. This section has been flooded with false tales of British cruelty, reports of the burning of farm houses and the eviction of women and children, in the hope of inducing the burghers to remain with the commandoes; but the evidence all points now to the existence of a permanent feeling of enmity between the Transvaalers and the Free Staters, each accusing the other of treachery and cowardice.

It is regarded as unlikely that the

Transvaal government will go to Lydenburg, where food is scarce. A body of Boers, mostly on foot, is trekking hard towards Vereeniging from the direction of Heilbron.

The Boers have destroyed every bridge and culvert. They are said to regard Klipriverberg, north of the Vaal, as a position of great strength, and talk of making themselves impregnable there.

It is reported that the population of Johannesburg is in a high state of excitement. The Boers who are passing through northward threaten to blow up the mines, and in view of their wanton destruction of everything else it would not be surprising if they carried out the threat. The British are more interested, however, in grazing and in the water supply than in the mines.

NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD. Quite a number of Havelock boys came in this morning to spend Decoration day.

Levi M. Patton and Mrs. Kate Jones, both of whom were formerly residents of this city, were married at Omaha yesterday.

A marriage license was granted today to Thomas Parker Sammons, aged twenty-four, of Plattsmouth, and Miss Minnie Peary Bates, aged seventeen, of Murray.

Henry Guthman, who has been running the Murdock bank during Mr. Neitzel's absence, returned home today. With a little practice Henry would undoubtedly make a first class banker.

Rid L. Latta, a substitute in the postoffice mailing department, has been given a permanent position as mailing clerk on the Missouri Pacific line, between here and Kansas City.—Omaha Evening News.

B. J. Reynolds, night yardmaster in the local Burlington yards, has been appointed administrator of the estate of his cousin, J. W. Robinson, who mysteriously disappeared from his home near Nebraska City several weeks ago.

Wescott & Son's display window has been arranged to represent graves of the civil and Spanish wars. A number of photographs, taken in Arlington cemetery, Washington, at the time of the funeral of Lieutenant Richard Waugh, can also be seen in the window.

News has been received to the effect that Duncan, the man who enjoyed two jail sentences in this city and who left for Hamburg, Ia., Saturday evening, is now in jail at the latter place for drunkenness. The local authorities were fortunate in getting rid of him.

The Presbyterian Y. P. S. C. E. meeting at the home of C. A. Rawls last night was well attended. The business session was short and the remainder of the evening was spent in games on the lawn and also in the house, interspersed with delicious lemonade.

A. H. Houston, D. Austin, R. B. Wallace, L. Hall, C. Sherwood and wife, L. M. McVay, D. T. Thacker, George Edmunds, J. Duke, Frank Eaton, H. F. and George Taylor, together with several other Union people, were in town yesterday in attendance at the trial of the Eaton divorce case.

All Moore of this city, owner of two fine race horses—"Gray Bess" and "Queen of Diamonds"—was scheduled to run a match race at Blair this afternoon for \$100 on a side. All has been very successful since leaving here two weeks ago, and the Blair people will undoubtedly be favored with a real race.

CECIL CREEK HAPPENINGS. Gorge R. Sayles of Wilber has been selected to teach the Cedar Creek schools during the coming year.

Mrs. Wolf's new house is rapidly nearing completion.

Louis Schneider, who has been at the Clarkson hospital, Omaha, for two weeks past, returned home Monday. While there he had his right eye taken out, and is now feeling better than for some time.

C. C. McDowell, who has been helper at the depot for the last two years, has been promoted. He is now holding down a good position at David City. Mac made many friends while here who wish him the best of success.

The Davis family will give a concert at this place Friday evening, June 1.

Ten of the leading sports of this place have organized the Cedar Creek Gun club.

Tobias Frey and Henry Likewise visited at Omaha last Friday.

George Horn was a Plattsmouth passenger Saturday.

There is some talk of celebrating the Fourth of July at this place. There is no good reason why we could not have a celebration here, as we have one of the finest parks in the country.

Mrs. Frey and Wildi were passengers for South Omaha Tuesday, where they went to visit the former's daughter.

J. M. Ramsey has been appointed census enumerator for Eight Mile precinct, and will begin his work Friday, June 1.

August Schneider went to Omaha Monday to stick up an outlay for another band of burglars.

Ben Caris spent Sunday in Omaha. Mrs. Caris and daughter (of Lincoln) came down Saturday and returned on Monday morning.

Social dance June 2d at Turner hall.

STREETER'S INVASION.

Number Thirteen Is Fatal In One More Case.

Some Hundreds of Chicago Police with Various Artillery Intimidate the Invaders.

Chicago, May 28.—Chicago was invaded at 1 o'clock Saturday morning by the army of a hostile state, numbering thirteen men—the "District of Lake Michigan." The invasion ended in a farce comedy, but came near to being finished in deadly earnest. The casualties include one boy shot in the leg the pickets and one horse killed. Five of the invaders were arrested and the balance were allowed to escape. The trouble was precipitated by Captain George W. Streeter, a squatter, who has from time to time created much trouble and litigation by his efforts to occupy land along the shore of Lake Michigan. The land consists of made land on the lake shore north of Superior street, and is 186 acres in extent.

Invaders Effect a Landing. Streeter organized the force which made the descent upon Lincoln Park, but was not with the main person. The transport containing the "troops" arrived off Lincoln park soon after midnight, and without difficulty they made a landing at the foot of Superior street, and formally took possession of the land. Streeter had issued a proclamation declaring that he had a right to occupy the land and that no one had a right to prevent him.

Rapid fire guns, it is alleged, were on the transport decks ready to cover, if necessary, the landing of the troops, but the shores were unprotected and without opposition the invaders made their way through the surf, rallied around their leader, "Commandant" William Niles, and hoisted an American flag in the center of the invaded district.

Proceeded at Once to Fortify. Immediately on landing, a line of fortifications was marked out, one of plank was laid along the western edge of the claimed territory and a barbed wire was stretched about a foot above it. Two forts each about twelve feet square and formed an embankment of dirt and piling about five feet high, were hastily thrown up, on either side of Superior street. Sentinels were detailed to patrol a picket line just inside the barbed wire. The "commandant" gave orders that no one should be allowed to cross this line, and then, establishing his headquarters within one of the forts, ordered his men to stack arms and rest themselves in preparation for a struggle which he said he felt was inevitable.

Police Force Gets Its Guns. Because policemen and others tried to cross the picket line was the reason for the shooting. The only person hit was the boy, who was hit between the shoulders and in the side. Niles did all the shooting and appeared to have aimed to miss, as though he shot at close range at several police officers he hit none. There were some confusion and police engaged when it was known what was going on, and to dislodge the thirteen men in Fort Streeter the following forces were mobilized: Police officers in uniform 524; detectives in citizens' attire, 100; Lincoln park police, 25; deputy sheriffs, 15; patrol wagons, 15; police ambulances, 3; officers on tug under Captain Revere, 40; police riot gear, 100; police officers with gas gun and two smooth-bore cannons.