# CAPTURED BOER GUNS

British Effectually Reverse Legend of Laing's Neck Near Ladysmith.

## **GENERAL FRENCH WINS A VICTORY**

He Drives the Transvaal Forces From Their Strong Position in the Hills-Battle Lasts Several Hours - General Kock, Boer Commander Wounded and Taken Prisoner.

LONDON, Oct. 24.-(New York World Cablegram.)-Burleigh cables the Daily Telegrahp as follows:

"At Ladysmith Sunday afternoon the legend of Laing's Nek was effectually reversed when a small force of British troops of all arms of the service, under General French, proceeded sixteen miles out toward Elandslaagte and after a sharp battle for several hours drove the Boers out of a remarkably strong position in the hills and captured three of the enemy's quick-firing nine-centimeter pieces and a number of wagons with stores of ammunition.

"Kock, their general, and a member of the Transvaal executive council, was wounded and is our prisoner.

"Our men, both the regulars and the volunteers, did superb work and despite our losses the enemy was hard pushed from cover to cover, and finally bolting ran like rabbits, throwing away their guns and clothing to facilitate their escape, even finding nc time to catch or saddle their horses. Most of the fugitives looked as though they would keep on running for weeks. The closing hours of the battle were fought in a cold, heavy rain, which continued to fall during most of the fight. Our troops bivouacked in the Boers' position, but the wounded were sent back in trains and wagons.

"I carried in a dispatch from French to White, who later on came out by train and watched the action for awhile.

"The evening and night were very dark and a heavy rain was falling during the entire engagement.

"The flank attack was gallantly carried out by the Manchester and Gordon infantry and the Imperial Light Horse aartillery, while the front attack, which was made with great boldness, was carried out by the Devonshire regiment.

"The wounded were brought back to Ladysmith in hospital trains and are being well cared for in the town hall and in the churches, which had been previously fitted up as hospital build ings and are well-suited for the purpose."

## IOWANS ARE ON LAND.

Fifty First Marches to Presido, Cheered All the Way.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 24 .-The transport Senator, which arrived here yesterday with the Fifty-first Iowa regiment, was docked at the government wharf today.

The soldiers were landed from the Senator later in the day and marched to the ferry depot. Governor Shaw and many other prominent lowans were present, and speeches appropriate to the occasion were delivered.

After breakfast the men were lined up for the march to the Presidio. The march through the streets of the city was accomplished under the same enthusiastic conditions which have greeted the other returned regiments. The men were cheered all along the line. Each man was decorated with flowers and flags. The camping ground formerly occupied by the Montana regiment will serve to shelter the Iowans until they are mustered out, probably in two or three weeks.

## IOWANS MEET WITH DISASTER.

Party Reaches San Francisco From It Alaskan Trip.

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Detail to Watch Boer War.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24.-Colonel Sumner, Major Storey, Captain Gibson and Captain Slocum have been detailed to proceed to South Africa to observe and report on military operations. Colonel Sumner Is a brigadie" general of volunteers, his present station is attache to London embassy. Major Storey is stationed at Governor's Island; Captain Gibson is an ordnance officer, stationed at Columbus, and Captain Slocum, who was United States military attache at Lisbon, is on his way to Capetown.

No Operation on Czar.

DARMSTADT, Oct. 24 .- With reference to the report circulated in the United States that the head of the czar had been operated on recently, it is pointed out that his majesty during his stay here was in the best of health, accompanied the czarina and the grand duke and grand duchess of Hesse on frequent excursions last week and yesterday attended the services at the Russian chapel here. The trepanning story is pronounced to be untrue. Rockefeller Gets In. NEW YORK, Oct. 24.-William Rockefeller was today elected a member of the executive committee of the New York Central Railway company at the session which authorized an addition of \$15,000,000 stock. The World says: "The election of Mr. Rockefeller to the executive councils of the New York Central is of far-reaching importance, as it marks the surrender of the New York, New Haven & Hartford system to the New York Central."

## A HOLIDAY APPROACHING.

President Issues His Annual Thanks giving Proclamation.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26 .- The president has issued the following Thanksgiving proclamation:

"A national custom dear to the hearts of the people, calls for the setting apart of one day in each year as an occasion of special thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessings of the preceding year. This honored observance acquires with time a tenderer significance. It enriches domestic life. It summons under the family roof the absent children to glad reunion with those they love.

"Seldom has this nation had greater cause for profound thanksgiving. No great pestilence has invaded our shores. Liberal employment waits upon labor. Abundant crops have rewarded the efforts of the husbandman. Increased comforts have come to the home. The national finances have been strengthened and public credit has been sustained and made firmer. In all branches of industry and trade there has been an unequaled degree of prosperity, while there has been a steady gain in the moral and educational growth of our national character.

"Churches and schools have flourished. American patriotism has been exalted. Thos engaged in maintaining the honor of the flag with such signal success have been in a large degree spared from disaster and disease. An honorable peace has been ratified with a foreign nation with which we are at war, and we are now on friendly relations with every power on earth.

"The trust which we have assumed for the benefit of the people of Cuba has been faithfully advanced. There is marked progress toward the restoration of healthy industrial conditions and under wise sanitary regulations the island has enjoyed unusual exemption from the scourge of fever.

"The hurricane which swept over Hall our new possession of Porto Rico, destroying the homes and property of the inhabitants, called forth the instant sympathy of the people of the United States, who were swift to respond with generous a.d to the sufferers.

"While the insurrection still con-Keith tinues in the island of Luzon, business is resuming its activity and confidence in the good purposes of the United States is being rapidly established throughout the archipelago.

"For these reasons and countless others, I, William McKinley, president Merrick ..... of the United States, do hereby name | Nance ..... Thursday, the 30th day of November Nemaha .....] next, as a day of general thanksgiving Nuckolls ..... and prayer, to be observed as such by Otoe ..... Pawnee ..... all our people on this continent, and in Perkins ..... our newly acquired islands, as well as Phelps ..... by those who may be at sea or so-Pierce ..... journing in foreign lands, and I advise Polk that on this day religious exercises shall be conducted in the churches or meeting places of all denominations, in order that in the social features of the day its real significance may not be lost sight of, but fervent prayers may be offered to the Most High for a continuance of the divine guidance without which man's efforts are in vain, and for divine consolation to those whose kindred and friends have sacrificed their lives for our country. "I recommend also that on this day, so far as it may be found practicable, Webster labor shall cease from its accustomed teil and charity abound toward the sick, the needy and the poor. "In witness whereof I have set my



The Graud Showing This Great State is Able to Make.

## CATFLE, HORSES, HOGS AND SHEEP

A Shortage in Cars Troubling Railway Officials-Increasing Business Keeps Everybody on the Jump-As to Nebraska Soldier Quota-Other Matters in This State.

Live Stock Interests of the State.

County.	She'p	Cattle.	Hogs.	H'r's.
Adams	154	15,355	29,576	9,155
Antelope	933	22,201	32,194	
Banner	3,833	11.157	135	2,289
Blaine	753	5,369	699	805
Boone	931	24,795	28,698	
Box Butte	19,437		680	4,439
Boyd	1.487		11.286	
Brown	4,154		6,378	
Buffalo		26,267	36,237	
Burt	778	31,154	41,088	
Butler	2,352		29,982	
Cass	165	18,888	29,974	
Cedar	495	38,575	39,850	
Chase	944	11,195	3,835	3,059
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#### A Fine Team Ruined. Webster City Freeman: Supervisor C. D. Doolittle met with an accident yesterday which is likely to result in the loss of one or both of his fine driving horses. He was up on his farm, two and a half miles east of

Woodstock, burning the dead grass off of a low piece of ground which he is had been unhitched and tied to the rear end of the wagon and was more than a quarter of a mile away from where the men were burning the grass. and, as they supposed, entirely out of any possible danger. But by some means the fire got away from them. and before the men could get to the horses they were enveloped in flames, and by the time they reached them were so badly burned that there is littie hope they will survive the injuries received. The grass was about knee deep around the wagon and horses, and when thoroughly afire created a heat that burned hair and flesh off the poor helpless animals in an incredibly short time.

## Corn Turns Out Fairly Well.

RISING CITY, Neb., Oct. 30 .- Corn nuking has been going on in this section for the past three weeks. While the yield is not so bad as was predicted by some during the hot spell, the first part of September, there is yet a heavy falling off from what was promised earlier on in the season, the yield being so far from thirty to fifty bushels per acre, and very seldom touching either of these figures, but more generally yielding from thirtyfive to forty-five bushels. This yield will nevertheless furnish a heavy volume of corn for market, the large acreage more than making up for any shortage on account of the falling off of the per acre yield. Notwithstanding the prevailing fair price for corn in the local markets, there will be a considerable quantity stored on the farms, many farmers having conceived the nition that the price will be still better in the not distant future.

## Will Bring Test Case.

LINCOLN, Neb., Oct. 20 .- Attorney General Smyth will in a few days file a brief in the supreme court in the case brought by the state of Nebraska against the Home Fire Insurance company of New York, the test case brought to find out if the insurance companies that paid ex-Auditor Moore it over again to the state. The case was originally brought in the Lancaster county district court, where Judge Holmes decided that the state, having elected to pursue the auditor on his 7,674 8,370 28,472 8,378 22,392 5,748

## THE CAPTURE OF GREGORY.

Nebraska and Iowa Horsethief Leads a Merry Chase.

ASHLAND, Neb., Oct. 27.-The stealing of the Laughlin mule from this place and the discovery and subsequent tragedy at Loveland, Ia., with getting ready to tile out. His team the capture of the thief at Council Bluffs, has excited universal interest in this city. E D. Laughlin is a prosperous farmer living two miles northwest of Ashland, and the mule stolen, a large and very valuable animal, was selected and taken by some one who had information as to his value. He was taken out of the barn, tied by the side of a team and the next morning was tracked through Ashland going east. The track was followed to Louisville Monday morning by a son of Mr. Laughlin, but there it was lost.

Mr. Laughlin sent for the Beatrice bloodhounds and they arrived Monday night. They took the scent of the mule from the harness and the stall in which he had been kept. They immediately struck the trail and followed it to Louisville and tracked the mula into the barn of Sharpe. Although tried in all other directions they always went back to the Sharpe barn.

It seems that on Sunday morning a man who was evidently the captured Dave Williams, drove into Louisville with a mule and a mare, which he put into Sharpe's barn. Sunday evening he went to a livery stable to obtain a team, ostensibly to go out and find a mule which had got away from him. The livery owner objected to leiting a team to a stranger, whereupon Sharpe agreed to stand good for the return of the team. Sharpe, it is charged, knew all about the Laughlin mule, as he had worked near him at the building of the Armor ice house at Memphis. When the pursuers with the hounds reached the Sharpe barn Sharpe became very nervous and excited. He at first, it is alleged, denied that there had been any mule in his barn or that he knew anything about the matter. After a little the mare in his bara was identified as a mare that had been stolen in Seward county on Friday night. As his connection with the mule theft began to become threatening and he found he was in danger. he weakened and acknowledged that Jack Gregory had the mule and had been there and had gone to Loveland, Ia. He was very anxious to clear his some \$23,000 shall be required to pay skirts and told the circumstances, the road taken, and claimed that he was in great fear of Gregory. The sheriff at Council Bluffs was immediately cailed up by telephone, the facts given him and he was requested to arrest bond and having secured a verdict and the thief and obtain the mule. That judgment, could not also collect from action was prompt was evidenced by the insurance companies. The judg- the fact that the man was taken while ment obtained runs only against | eating his dinner in the camp at noon. Moore, as the courts have held that | Sharpe was right in his statement that the embezzled money not having been he was heavily armed and a dangerous

Ashmead Bartlett had a question before the House of Commons today asking whether the government had any information of a coalition between the foreign powers against Great Britain.

A. J. Balfour, government leader, privately asked Bartlett not to put the question, which was formally postponed until Thursday, but it is not expected to be heard of again.

Balfour's action tends to give color to the apprehension of foreign trouble which is entertained in certain parliamentary circles, though the ministers have privately declared that they have received no information to support such a report.

## DESPERADO'S DARING DEED.

### Morsethief Shoots and Mortally Wounds Constable Trying to Arrest Him.

OMAHA, meb., Oct. 20 .- Hardin Moss, constable at Loveland, Ia., was shot and probably mortally wounded houses were in holiday attire in honor about 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon by of the returning soldiers. Arrangea horsethief and desperado, for whose arrest he held a warrant.

The shooting occurred at a grading camp near Loveland. The desperado made good his escape in the constable's wagon, compelling Joe Morgan, a son of Sheriff Morgan, who had accompanied Moss, to take the reins and drive for him. After a chase lasting the entire afternoon the man's capture was effected on the outskirts of this city on South avenue by Officers Sam Albro and Harry James. The fellow showed fight and the officers were compelled to shoot him in the leg. He is now in the city fail, where he gave the name of Dave Williams and claimed to be from Nebraska.

**MODIFY QUARANTINE ORDER.** 

Order Permitting Shipments of Cattle After November 1.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25 .- The secretary of agriculture has promulgated an order modifying previous regulations concerning shipments of cattle after November 1 from the quarantined district.. It permits shipments after that date without any restrictions except those enforced by local regulations to all points except those in Tennessee, Missouri, Kansas, western Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico and Arizona.

Cattle intended for these state are allowed to be shipped after undergoing inspection and being found free from infection. As the regulations stood before the change was made they prohibited shipment without inspection before January 1.

Wreekers Ditch a Train. CHARLES CITY, Ia., Oct. 25 .-Train wreckers last night ditched the engine and three coaches of a northbound Illinois Central passenger train by spiking the rails. The engineer was bruised, but all others escaped. The engine was demolished and the property loss is heavy.

### Muster Out of the Iowans.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 25.-The order was given today to the officers in charge of the Fifty-first Iowa to make every precaution possible for the mustering cut of the regiment on next Saturday. The under officers feared

## Iowa Has a Thanksgiving.

ATLANTIC, Ia., Oct. 24 .- When it became known here that the Senator had arrived at San Francisco with the Fifty-first Iowa on board there was general rejoicing. All the business ments for a proper reception of the Atlantic boys are under way and this city will not be lacking in its expression of appreciation of the work done in the Philippines.

### Iowa Man Buried at Sea.

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### Father McCabe is Dead.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 24 .- A Waseca, Minn., special says: Rev. P. M. McCabe, the well known Roman Catholic clergyman, died Saturday evening of Bright's disease at St. Mary's, a

small mission near Waseca. It was Father McCabe who was instrumental in liberating the political prisoner John Boyle O'Reilly, who afterward became the noted American poet.

### Abandon Will Contest.

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 24.-The will of the late George W. Clayton, who bequeathed \$1,000,000 to the city of Denver for an orphans' college, was admitted to probate in the county court. The contest of the will which was threatened by a brother and other heirs of the deceased, has been abandoned.

## Cuban Exhibit at Paris.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 24 .- The War department is considering the desirability of having a Cuban exhibit at the Paris exposition. Secretary Root had a talk on the subject today with Mr. Quesada, the Cuban commissioner, and the latter is to draw up a memorandum on the subject.

## Iowa Company Wins.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 24 .- An important mining decision was filed in the United States circuit court of appeals today. The Buxton Mining company, an lowa corporation, brought action against the Golden Reward Mining company to recover damages for a wrongful entry upon its property. situated in South Dakota, known as the Bonanza Lode mining claim, and for the removal therefrom and conversion to its own use of a large amount of gold and silver bearing ore, alleged to be of the value of \$200,000. The verdict in that suit was for \$61,500.

hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. "WILLIAM M'KINLEY."

## SECOND BAITLE AT LADYSMITH.

### Boers Reported Repulsed, but British Lose Over One Hundred.

LONDON, Oct. 26 .- A special dispatch from Capetown, dated 9:10 this morning, says there has been another battle at Ladysmith, and that the Boers were repulsed. The British casualties were placed at four killed and seven wounded, all rank and file.

LONDON, Oct. 26 .- General White has telegraphed to the war office from Rietfontein, under date of October 24, saying that in the fighting near Ladysmith, twelve of the British force were killed and eighty-nine wounded, and that five are missing, the casualties being among the Gloucester regiment.

#### Blizzard Breeds Death.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Oct. 26.-A special from Great Fallls, Mont., says: If any one has concluded that the time has passed when the servant is as faithful to the interests of his master as he could be to his own, he should consider the story of the recent blizzard, which swept through Teton county in the northern part of this state, a county given to the raising of sheep and cattle.

As a result of that storm nine men are known to be dead, and of these five bodies have been recovered. With one exception all were sheep herders. and all were found lying in such positions as to indicate that they had | poor man he has been obliged to find stayed with their bands to the last. dying in their attempts to save the property of their employers.

### Russia Sells Gold Lands.

WASHINGTON, OCT. 26 .- The fact that Russia has opened to foreign exploits on the gold lands orf Siberia is announced in a report to the state de- night. This pathetic feature, as well partment from United States Charge as the failure of the authorities to Pierot at St. Petersburg. He sends copies of a decree providing for the sale of gold lands to take place between the 15th and 27th of February of the state, which the executive is next, and it is noted that the sale is open to any persons whether Russians | total reward \$400 for the location of or foreigners.

## Governor Asks for Troops.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 26 .- The secretary of war this afternoon received a telegram from Governor Murphy of Arizona saying that considerable trouble has occurred at Maco, on the

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**Car Shortage Continues.** 

OMAHA, Oct. 28.-The car shortage is still troubling railway officials and is likely to do so for the balance of the winter. General Freight Agent Crosby of the Burlington has stated that the situation in the territory over which he has control has been somewhat relieved, and enough cars are available to fill the most pressing demands. In speaking of the situation a freight official stated: "We think one day that there is an improvement in the situation and that we can see our way out. The next day it is different, and we find ourselves as badly off as ever." General officers of the Northwestern and Milwaukee lines are quoted as saying that they cannot supply half the demands made upon them for cars, and a few days ago the Burlington, taking its whole system, had orders booked for 2,000 more cars than it was able to fill. The general demand for freight cars is confined not alone to the big crops in the west, but because of the general freight carrying business, which has increased enormously over

### Looking for the Murderer.

that of last year.

OMAHA, Oct. 28 .- Still hoping to aid in the capture and conviction of the slayer of his daughter on Park avenue two months ago, James McAuliffe, a laboring man whose residence is in Denver, remains in Omaha. Being a work to support himself and family while he is here, and has obtained employment on the street with the Grant Paving company. Mr. McAuliffe still hopes the police will secure Steve Van Whynan and make him answer the charge of killing the defenseless girl with whom he was riding on the fatal arrest Van Whynan, decided County Attorney Shields to request the governor to offer \$200 reward on behalf likely to do. This would make the the murderer of Lizzie McAuliffe.

### Father Wins His Daughter.

TEKAMAH, Neb., Oct. 28 .- The Hart-Mason haveas corpus case was Mr. Hart, the father of the child. The

received by him by virtue of his office, character. his bondsmen could not be held.

## Think McBrids the Slaver.

TABLE ROCK, Neb., Oct. 30 .- There is much interest here in the press dispatches from Stillwater, Minn., over the confession of McBride, a convict at the penitentiary in that city, which indicates that he is the man who shot Nicholas A. Craig, the city marshal, on the night of September 20, 1896, from the effects of which he died a few minutes later, and it is thought the authorities here will take hold of the matter at once. There is quite a reward offered for the capture and conviction of the murderer. Mrs. Craig died about a year since and her death being undoubtedly the result of

the shock received at the time of his death. Two witnesses of the shooting, Roy Patchin and Oscar Morgan, still live in Table Rock.

## Head End Collision.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Oct. 20,-Passenger train No. 6, going east, and freight train No. 29, going west, met in a head-end collision in the north end of the Burlington yards here. The passengers and trainmen were all roughly shaken up, but no one was considerably hurt. The engine of the freight was badly battered. The pilot was knocked off and the tender telescoped the freight car following.

The point of collision was where the switch track, on which the freight was, crosses the main line. When it was seen that the trains would meet, both engineers reversed, and Engineer Watts and Fireman Irv. Holmes of the freight jumped. Engineer McCoy of the passenger stuck to his post.

### Nobraska's Soldier Quota.

LINCILN, Neb., Oct. 30 .- The adjutant general of the army has sent to Adjutant General Barry a reply to the latter's letter of transmittal sent with a report of the state of the Nebraska National guard and unorganized militia of state which was asked for some time ago. Assistant Adjutant General Simpson, in writing to Adjutant Gen eral Barry, compliments him very highly on the complete data and the fine arrangements of it for the use of the head of the Washington office. In the report, which covers several typewritten pages, Adjutant General Barry goes into the detail of description of the organization, equipment armament, drill and laws and regulations governing the Nebraska National guard.

### Body Found on a Bar.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Oct. 30.-A dead body was found on a bar in the river near Rock Bluffs partially furied in the sand, Coroner Slatter was called and found that the body had evidently been there a long time, but could find no clew as to its identity, and it was interred near Rock Bluffs.

Sheriff Captures Thief.

from Kansas City, bringing with him check for \$35. ago.

### Ordered to Pay the Tax.

YORK, Neb., Oct. 27 .- The York County Agricultural society received a visit from a deputy United States revenue collector the other day. He came here to tell them that if they didn't pay forthwith the amount due the government as a revenue tax on county fairs, the matter would be carried up to Omaha for investigation. The fair association had neglected to attend to this matter, thinking that because this year's fair had been a failure, it would not be necessary to pay any tax. Something over ten dollars was handed to the collector. The deputy says that a number of other fair associations are delinquent in the same manner.

## House Struck by Lightning.

GRESHAM, Neb., Oct. 27.-During a heavy rain storm lightning struck the large two-story frame hotel at this place, almost demolishing the front from roof to foundation. Heavy beams were torn out and scattered in fragments. Pieces of siding were thrown one hundred feet. Lath and plaster was torn off in several rooms, three of which were occupied. How the occupants escaped injury or death, and the house total destruction from fire,

are beyond comprehension.

## Hardware Store Burglarized.

FAIRMONT, Neb., Oct. 27.-E. A. Small's hardware store was entered by burglars and over a hundred dollars worth of pocket knives and razors taken. Entrance to the store was made by breaking a glass in the back window and unlocking the sash. Mr. Small kept the matter quiet in the hope that he might see some of the stuff about town, as he thinks it was done by persons here.

### Barn and Contents Burned.

GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Oct. 27.-The barn of Otto Springsguth, a beet raiser residing half a mile south of the city, was burned to the ground, together with all the contents, consisting of three horses, two buggies, grain, farm implements, etc. Mr. Springsguth figures his loss at \$700, with no insurance. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

### Old Soldier Dies on the Street. GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Oct. 27 .--

Hugh B. Witherow, an old soldier of the home, died suddenly on the streets of this city while about to enter a hack to go to the home. He had just returned from a furlough. An inquest was held and it was ascertained that he died from heart disease.

## **Comparative Cattle Receipts.**

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Oct. 30.-SOUTH OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 27 .- Oc-Sheriff W. D. Wheeler has returned tober, 1899, was a record breaker in cattle receipts at the yards here, as decided by Judge Keysor in favor of Burl Handy, the negro who broke into 127,175 head were received. Notwitha Rock Island car in South Bend last standing the reported shortage in catcase is one in which Mr. Hart, a resi- July and for which crime he and the the record at the stock yards for dent of Springfield, Mo., brought suit | Harry Thomas were arrested. Handy | twenty-five days of the present month at that time escaped from Constable shows that the receipts are keeping Cain while being brought to this city. right up with the same month a year Thomas is now serving a term in the ago. It is firmly believed that this penitentiary for his part of the crime. year's receipts will exceed the record After his escape from the office Handy of last year. A large increase is alwent to Nevada and has been working | ready shown in hogs and sheep and as a section hand for the Central Pa- knowing ones assert that the total cific Railway company and had a time for cattle will be larger than a year

that this could not be accomplished in that short time and asked their superiors for a consultation on the subject. They held one and came to the conclusion that they will be able to meet the mustering out demands by November 2, and it is more than likely that they will be given until that date to do the work.

border between Arizona and Mexico, against Mr. and Mrs. Mason, the parbetween American cowboys and Mexi-can officers. He recommends that a session of his deceased wife, for the pos-session of his 7-year-old daughter. company of troops be ordered there The child was taken by its grandparfrom Fort Huachuca to remain until ents when 2 years old, upon the death the trouble has subsided. He says of its mother. Mr. Hart did not questhat the civil officers will do every- tion the treatment of the child by its thing possible to maintain order, but grandparents, but claimed possession may not be able to do so. by his rights as a father.