

EXPECT HOSTILITIES TO TURN DAVID B. HILL DOWN

English Believes the Boers Will Act on the Aggressive on the Border.

TOWN OF MAFEKING IN GREAT DANGER

It is Now Menaced by Four Thousand Boer Under Commandant Cronje.

ONLY SIX HUNDRED MEN TO DEFEND IT

News of the Shelling and Advance on Mafeking Looked For Hourly.

NO SUCCESS CAN BE AFFORDED THE PLACE

Kimberly the Only Place Sufficiently Garrisoned, but the Troops There Are All Needed to Guard the Diamond Mines.

(Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) LONDON, Oct. 11.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—Intense excitement prevails in expectation of an immediate aggressive move by the Boers. Much anxiety is felt at the war office concerning the British position at Mafeking, a frontier station on the Bechuanaland border, whence the Jameson raid started. Its defense is committed to a force of 600 men specially raised, and commanded by Colonel Baden-Powell. This corps is menaced by 4,000 Boers under Commandant Cronje, who defeated Jameson at Krugersdorp. He is regarded as the ablest general in the Boer service and is fired with violent hatred of the British. Cronje has the confidence and represents the aspirations of the young Boer party, which distrusts Joubert as old and overcautious. Baden-Powell is a brother of the late Sir George Baden-Powell, at some time being sea arbitration commissioner. He has had considerable South African military experience, but only in quelling anti-Boer disturbances. The war office anticipates that Cronje will shell Mafeking, as he has a strong force of artillery officers by Germans with his command. No success can be afforded Mafeking for five days, as Kimberly cannot spare any of its 2,500 men, who are needed to defend DeBeers' diamond mines. News of the shelling and descent on Mafeking is hourly expected.

No apprehension is entertained of the ability of the British forces in Natal to offer a successful defense, though the Boers are expected to occupy Newcastle, which is undefended, in order to secure control of the railway to that point. Ladysmith, Glencoe and Dundee are considered perfectly safe from any attack the Boers may launch against them. There are 3,000 troops at Ladysmith and in ten days Sir George White will have 15,000 men, including three regiments of first-class cavalry, with five battalions of artillery on the Cape Colony border. Kimberly is the only place sufficiently garrisoned and the population contains a large proportion of Dutch who will probably offer no resistance to the Boer advance, though it is not believed any considerable number will assist it. The Boers, however they may harass the frontier posts, are not likely to attempt an invasion of the colony, but will rely on stubborn defensive action when the army corps arrives under General Buller. This event is now put back to Christmas. The war, therefore, is expected to be of a desultory character.

The latest estimates of Boer strength put a total of 21,000 men distributed as follows: On the western frontier, 2,000; against Kimberly, 3,000; on Drakenburg, 2,000; Volksrust and Utrecht, 12,000; Portuguese frontier, 2,000. The Orange Free State has 10,000 in the field, but they are largely neutralized, owing to the lengthy frontier line and necessary guarding against invasion by the Basutos, the most formidable fighting natives in South Africa next to the Zulus. In the Kaffir tribes which go into battle mounted. This morning a heavy bear raid was made on Kaffir stocks, the principal ones dropping several points, but later they recovered somewhat. After lunch the members reviewed their feelings by forming a column and marching in front of the "hammered" amid great enthusiasm, though eventually, it is believed, the Rand mines will become more valuable property than ever. There is likely to be a prolonged slump as even if the Boers do not blow them up heavy cost will be incurred by stoppage and accumulation of water in the workings.

All Cables Delayed. No news has been received so far of any outbreak of hostilities. There is again a lack of cables owing to the great pressure of the official matter. So far the military authorities at Capetown have instituted a censorship over telegrams. Even those most received are a day old, but all show a general expectation of an immediate Boer advance. Bennett Burleigh, calling the Daily Telegraph from Ladysmith Wednesday at 6 o'clock, says:

"War has begun and the Boers are in the Natal Free State. The burghers have seized the Hartbeesfontein station at the place. It is the property of the Natal government. Tonight companies of infantry will bivouac within a few miles of our force, which is standing to arms, and the outposts have been strengthened. Last night a mounted patrol was sent by the Boers. The men's orders were not to fire until fired upon."

The Daily Mail's Pietermaritzburg correspondent cables, Tuesday:

"Early this morning it was reported from Ladysmith that the Boers crossed the Free State border yesterday in force and were advancing on Ladysmith. No great importance is attached to the report, for the size of the Boer force appears to have been exaggerated and the Boers have crossed the border in small parties. There is great activity in military volunteer circles here. The probability is that Newcastle will be passed by and the Boer attack will be delivered simultaneously at Glencoe and Ladysmith, which are fully prepared to meet it."

The Morning Post's Pietermaritzburg correspondent, calling at 4:10 Wednesday evening, says:

"Though war may now be said to have been entered on, it is not anticipated here that hostilities will begin before Friday."

DOM PAUL GIVES THANKS

Expresses His Gratitude for the Sympathy Shown Him by the American People.

(Copyright, 1899, by Press Publishing Co.) PRETORIA, Oct. 11.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—"I thank American friends most sincerely for their sympathy. Last Monday the republic gave England forty-eight hours' notice within which to give the republic the assurance that the present dispute will be settled by arbitration."

CHEER SUNFLOWER TROOPS

March to the Presidio an Exciting One for Kansas Soldiers.

FUNSTON NOT AN ANTI-EXPANSIONIST

Says Everything is Being Done that Could Be to Carry War to an Early and Successful Conclusion.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 11.—The Twentieth Kansas and the four hundred discharged soldiers who arrived here last night on the transport Tartar were landed today, after being anchored in the stream all morning during the progress of the health officer's examination. Their stay at anchor was made less monotonous by the attentions of hundreds of people who journeyed as near to the transport as the quarantine regulations would permit and showered messages and questions upon the boys. Fruit and good things to eat were in abundance passed on board, much to the gratification of the soldiers. When the inspection was finished early in the afternoon and the word was passed:

followed. Each man carried a gun, which had been covered with flowers. The crowds simply would not let the soldiers pass in peace. Breaks occurred every few minutes. Relatives and friends broke into the ranks and marched with the soldiers, some smiling and laughing and others crying, but all happy and glad. The regimental colors, little the worse for wear, in spite of the arduous campaign through which they had passed, called forth a tremendous burst of applause whenever they were sighted. Taking it all in all, the soldiers looked to be in fair health, but of course there were some who showed the effects of the severe ordeal through which they have passed. Bringing up the rear were the hospital wagons, not very heavily loaded with sick.

CONDUCTOR KILLED IN IOWA

Accident on the Illinois Central at Storm Lake Which is Attended with Fatal Results.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—The regular local eastbound freight train on the Illinois Central road out of Cherokee was wrecked on the Storm Lake hill shortly after noon today. The engine of the local train ran out of water shortly after leaving Alta, at a point midway between Alta and Storm Lake. The engineer cut the engine off and started for Storm Lake to fill the water tank. A flagman who went back to flag another train that might be coming. The vicinity of Storm Lake is very susceptible to fog on account of the lake and this morning fog over the country was very heavy. The engineer had not returned with the engine of the local when a long gravel train came down the hill at full speed. It is not known whether the engineer saw the flagman or not, at any rate, he found it impossible to stop the train and crashed into the local with great force. The warning whistle of the engine of the gravel train gave the trainmen time enough to prepare themselves for the coming crash. Conductor Charles A. Demaree, formerly of Fort Dodge and Waterloo, now of Sioux City, who was in charge of the train, was called to by one of his men to jump, but refused to do so and continued to twist the brake on one of the gravel cars. When the collision came he was thrown from the forward end of the car to the car in front of it. The reaction of the shock threw him back to the car he was on with great force. The passengers in the caboose of the local heard the noise and lost no time in making their escape from the car. Just as they reached the right of way fence, the crash came and the body of Conductor Demaree was seen to go from one car to the other. After he fell the second time he was seen to stagger to his feet and drop back again. The party went at once to his aid but found upon their arrival that he was dead.

SHAW AT MARSHALLTOWN

Governor of Iowa Opens the Campaign with a Speech Ringing with Patriotism.

MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—The republican campaign was opened here this evening in a speech by Governor Shaw, who spoke for over two hours to an audience which filled the large auditorium of the Odeon theater. When the governor was introduced he was greeted with an ovation which lasted several minutes, and an ovation which he returned by launching into a masterly discussion of the issues of the day. Good times, he attributed not so much to McKinley's administration as to republican principles. He scored the democrats for endorsing Bryan, but remaining silent on all Bryanism indicates. Not until our principles are safe can we be safe, he said, and we should show the world how we stand on financial principles that are tried, tested and firm. He traced the history of financial and tariff legislation for eighty years to show that republican principles always restored prosperity. He smashed the trust issue by showing the inconsistency of democracy on the subject and then paused before beginning on so-called imperialism, while the audience sang "America."

PYTHIAN SPECIAL WRECKED

Eight Persons Seriously Injured, Two Fatally, in Collision Near Wheeling, W. Va.

WHEELING, W. Va., Oct. 11.—Today at Short Creek, nine miles above the city, a northbound passenger train collided with a special from Pittsburgh, the latter bringing a delegation from western Pennsylvania to the tri-state encampment of the Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias. Eight persons were seriously injured, two fatally. The accident resulted from the engineer of the special forgetting to take a siding as ordered. Injured: Reuben King of Evansville, skull fracture, will die. P. J. Walsh of Midway, Pa., a passenger, paralyzed below waist, may die. Julius M. Endlow of Boston, passenger, broken back, will recover. Abe Frankland of Pittsburgh, passenger, left foot crushed and amputated tonight. Engineer Pollock of Dennis, O., back of left hand crushed, amputation probable. Conductor Ellsworth Ranney of Steubenville, collar bone broken, will recover. Fireman Edward Martin of Dennison and Baggage-master J. Stevens of Steubenville, slight injuries.

REGULARS TO GREET KANSANS

TOPEKA, Oct. 11.—The governor's office has been notified by the War department at Washington that regular soldiers from Fort Riley and Fort Leavenworth may attend the reception to the Twentieth Kansas provided their doing so will be no additional expense to the government. A message has also been received from the commander of the Department of the Missouri that two batteries of light artillery at Fort Riley, a battalion of the Tenth Infantry and a troop of cavalry from Fort Leavenworth have been ordered here to participate in the celebration. The soldiers will come overland.

GROSVENOR IS ENTHUSIASTIC

Ohio Congressman Comes to Nebraska to Make Three Speeches.

SAYS THE BUCKEYE STATE IS ALL RIGHT

General Prosperity is Seen on Every Hand and Workmen Have Plenty to Do—Thinks Nebraska Will Go Republican.

LINCOLN, Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—General Grosvenor of Ohio came through this city on his way to Broken Bow this evening. He goes up into the Sixth district to make three speeches and will return home Saturday night, going east by way of Omaha. The distinguished Ohio statesman was interviewed regarding the situation in Ohio and he gave a very hopeful view. "There is no more excitement there than usual," said General Grosvenor, "and I have no fear that McLean will carry the state. The prosperity is so general in Ohio that the people do not desire a change. One of the great industries of the state is coal mining. In 1898 the miners got 45 cents per ton for mining the coal and they worked on an average of three days out of each week. Now the price paid is 66 cents a ton, they work every day and there is need to supply the demand. Dayton is a large factory town. Three years ago the Associated Charities had a free soup house established at a prominent place frequented by men looking for work, and they had a large sign up pointing the way to the soup house. Now the establishment is gone, and a few days ago when I was there I noticed in the place where the free soup sign used to hang, a notice posted by a factory that was asking for 200 extra hands."

ROUSING RALLY HELD AT BLAIR

Horace G. Whitmore and W. S. Summers Lay Down the Doctrine.

BLAIR, Neb., Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—The republican campaign in Washington county was formally opened this evening by a large turnout of our people at the opera house to listen to Hon. W. S. Summers and Horace G. Whitmore.

POOR TURNOUT AT LINWOOD

LINWOOD, Neb., Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—About fifty persons attended a well-attended fusion rally here last night and heard W. D. Oldham and Dr. Hall of the Banking board. Oldham talked principally of the administration and Chaplain Mailley and would up by requesting everyone to be sure to vote for "Slippery Si."

NO MENTION OF HOLOMBO

FARNAM, Neb., Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Representative Butherford, a returned volunteer soldier named Jennings, and Populist Vincent addressed a fusion meeting here yesterday. Holcomb's name was not mentioned by the speakers.

CONDITION OF THE WEATHER

Forecast for Nebraska—Rain; Cooler; Variable Winds.

Temperature at Omaha yesterday:

Table with 4 columns: Hour, Deg., Hour, Deg. Rows for 5 a.m., 8 a.m., 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m., 11 p.m.

Full duty in turning down Holcomb and supporting the national administration of McKinley.

NEVILLE NOW A CANDIDATE

Boyle Resigns from the Committee and a Certificate Issues Promptly and to the Office-Seeker.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Juan Boyle has resigned the chairmanship of the democratic congressional committee and P. H. McEvoy of this place has been elected. A certificate was issued to Neville accrediting his candidacy in the place of Harrington, who was forced off the ticket by the populists, and Neville left this morning for Lincoln.

SOLDIER MAKES A GOOD SPEECH

BLUE HILL, Neb., Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—Corporal Robert G. Douglas of Company A,

BRYAN IN A CORNER

Free Silver Champion Stands Before the World a Self-Convicted Word Juggler.

J. STERLING MORTON PRODUCES A LETTER

Makes the Perennial Presidential Candidate Contradict Himself Flatly.

"MONEY IN OFFICE THAT ATTRACTS ME"

Bryan Denies in an Interview that He Ever Made Any Such Statement.

EX-SECRETARY SHOWS THE DOCUMENT

Places the Lincoln Man in an Uncomfortable Predicament—Very Readable Story from a Republican Standpoint.

LINCOLN, Oct. 11.—(Special Telegram.)—J. Sterling Morton made the assertion in the Conservative several weeks ago that W. J. Bryan had said he wanted office for money and not for honor. The Bee, in its issue of September 27, contained an interview with Bryan, in which he positively denied that he had ever made such an assertion. Undeniable proof is now presented that Mr. Bryan did say that he wanted office for money and not for honor.

FAC SIMILE OF W. J. BRYAN'S LETTER TO J. STERLING MORTON.

(By courtesy of The Conservative.)

FAC SIMILE OF W. J. BRYAN'S LETTER TO J. STERLING MORTON. (By courtesy of The Conservative.) A. R. TALBOT, OFFICE OF TALBOT & BRYAN, ATTORNEYS AT LAW, ROOMS 45, 46 AND 47 BURR'S BLOCK, COR. 9 AND 10TH STREETS. LINCOLN, NEB., Jan 11 1899. Hon. J. Sterling Morton, Nebraska City, Neb. Dear friend—your kind letter to me was received & delivered. I think it was well received. The P.S. was judicious I think I am grateful to you for your endorsement. Had I hesitated to write you because I dislike soliciting aid, I assure you that it is the money that is in the office not the honor that attracts me. If successful in getting it, it will do me over my beginning here. With regards to the ladies—I am yours very truly, W. J. BRYAN.

PERENNIAL CANDIDATE FOR OFFICE

Failing to secure the appointment to the railway commission Mr. Bryan continued the practice of law, but in 1899 he announced his candidacy for congressman, and in fact, has been a candidate for office ever since. A. J. Sawyer and a number of other prominent First district democrats asked Mr. Morton to come out as a candidate, but he replied "No; not to go and ask any one to vote for me or work for me." His refusal to run made the nomination of Bryan possible and these in charge of the democratic machinery turned to the young orator and he was nominated. John H. Ames of this city, now a gold standard man, was chairman of the congressional committee and it was he who started the Bryan boom. Since the memorable state convention of 1892 the two men who worked together in the campaign of 1888 have been drifting farther and farther apart. Morton pronounced for the gold standard and laid down his views from typewritten manuscript so that there could be no dispute as to where he stood on the situation. Bryan left the party, Ames resigned from the chairmanship of the congressional committee because of the congressional nominee's views on the money question and after he had supported him in his previous campaign.

Bryan's repeated utterances concerning the honorableness of the money power and the greed for wealth recalled to J. Sterling Morton's mind the assertion made in 1888 and a search was instituted among the files of papers at Arbor Lodge for the letter. It was found among a number of other letters written by Mr. Bryan, all somewhat similar and equally interesting. One of them is a message sent after Mr. Morton's defeat for congress, congratulating him for running ahead of his ticket. Only a few months after this Mr. Bryan told his friends that he could get even more votes than Mr. Morton got or could get.

The charge made by Morton was copied by a number of newspapers and on Tuesday, September 26, Mr. Bryan was interviewed by a correspondent for The Omaha Bee as to whether or not he had ever made the assertion referred to by Mr. Morton.

Bryan's Denial. "I am willing to stand on my record," said Mr. Bryan, "and let the people judge whether I ever made such a statement. I positively deny the assertion, but I do not care to be quoted as saying so. If I took occasion to deny all of the false statements made about me I would be kept busy all the time. I do not propose to travel around the

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