

POSSE SHOOT
INTO STRIKERSThree Killed and Several Others
Wounded in St. Louis Streets.

DEPUTIES DO BLOODY WORK

Strikers Were Returning From
Picnic When the Unlooked-
For Trouble Occurred.

Last Sunday, in St. Louis, was one of the most eventful and bloody since the great strike of the Transit company began, more than one month ago. There were numerous encounters between strikers and other riotous persons and the constabulary authorities, resulting in three deaths and wounding of five or more persons, mostly strikers. One of the latter will die.

The day was quiet until the afternoon, when the police were taken off a number of street car lines for the purpose of giving them a rest, and to test the ability of the Transit company to operate without friction. Cars were in operation during the daytime on all the lines of the Transit company except the southwestern. At night cars were run under police protection until midnight on the Park avenue, Olive street, Lindell division and La Cleve avenue line.

The most serious trouble broke out at 7 o'clock p. m. in front of the six-story store building on Washington avenue occupied by the sheriff's posse. Several hundred striking street car men had gone to East St. Louis earlier in the day to attend a picnic given for their benefit at Wolff's grove. Toward evening they began returning home singly, in groups of two or three, or in companies of a hundred or more.

No serious trouble occurred until one of these companies, composed of nearly 150 street car men in uniform and headed by a drum corps, came west on Washington avenue. In their caps some of them had cards bearing these words:

"Union or nothing; liberty or death."

The men were marching along the sidewalk on the south side of Washington avenue opposite the posse barracks. They were in a jocular mood, and as near as can be learned, had no intention of making any trouble.

Just as they were passing the barracks a car at the Park avenue division was going west. A number of the men broke from the line and rushed toward the car, with the intention, it is said, of boarding it and taking a ride. Another statement was made that it was the intention of the strikers to assault the motorman and conductor, whose car was without the usual police guard. A brick was thrown through the car window and a shot was fired. Members of the posse swarmed from the building and surrounded the crowd of strikers about the car, calling upon them to disperse.

Other shots were fired and then some of the deputies turned loose their repeating shotguns loaded with buckshot. As far as can be learned only four of the men in the strikers' ranks were hit. Not a deputy was wounded.

Under the command of Colonel Cavender the deputies arrested twenty of the strikers and took them into the barracks, where they were searched. Three revolvers and a number of pocket knives were secured and the prisoners were locked up. The other strikers fled.

DEATH IN EXPLOSION.

Three People Killed and More Fatally
Wounded in West Anneton, Ala.

Fearful havoc was wrought Saturday morning by the explosion of a huge boiler at the Duke brick works West Anneton, Ala. Two persons were killed instantly by the explosion; two died a few hours afterwards, two others are expected to die, and six others are injured more or less severely.

LANDAUER AND COFFMAN

Indicted by Grand Jury at Atlanta, Ga.,
For Alleged Crookedness.

An Atlanta dispatch says: A. Landauer, president of the Southern Agricultural works and E. G. Coffman, general manager, were indicted by the Fulton grand jury Thursday.

Landauer is charged with being a common cheat and swindler, while Coffman is charged with embezzlement. Both men are out of the city.

Landauer is reported to be in Milwaukee. He left Atlanta April 19th, the day the Southern Agricultural works failed. Coffman's whereabouts is unknown.

KEENE BACKS BRYAN.

New York Stock Broker Said to Have Bet
\$25,000 on Nebraska.

James R. Keene, the famous stock operator, of New York, who is now in Europe, is said to have bet \$25,000 that W. J. Bryan will be elected president this fall. Mr. Keene says he will return to the United States in time to vote for Bryan, and Keene's friends say he will contribute to the Democratic campaign fund.

DOCKERY FOR GOVERNOR.

Missouri Democrats Hold State Convention
in Kansas City.

The Democrats of Missouri, in state convention at Kansas City Wednesday, elected national delegates, adopted a platform and named a full state ticket.

ROBERTS' PROGRAM

Cannot Be Prognosticated Until
Further Particulars—Boer
Army Intact.

Until the situation in the neighborhood of Pretoria is enlightened the officials in London, as well as others, will find difficulty in prognosticating Lord Roberts' immediate program.

It appears evident that the Boer commander-in-chief, General Botha, with all his guns, withdrew in good order, probably along the Delagoa bay railroad with the view of joining President Kruger.

So the Transvaal forces remain practically intact with President Kruger; President Steyn and General Botha and Secretary of State Reitz all safe and in a position to continue the direction of affairs. The most optimistic see in the fact that President Kruger's wife and General Botha's wife were left at Pretoria, an indication that the president does not count on a long resistance, in any case it will probably take Lord Roberts at least a week to organize a campaign of pursuit.

Wednesday Lord Roberts telegraphed to the war office as follows: "Pretoria, June 5, 5.35 p. m.—The occupation of the town passed off most satisfactorily, and the British flag is now hoisted on top of the government offices. The troops met with a much more enthusiastic reception than I anticipated. The Third battalion of the Grenadier Guards lined the square when the march past took place.

Owing to their having been on duty at some distance around the town, very few cavalry and infantry were able to take part in the ceremony.

Several of our officers who had been prisoners were among the onlookers.

FIGHTING NEAR PRETORIA.

Some dispatches are to hand which left Pretoria Monday while the fighting was going on outside the city. They come by way of Lourenzo Marques. One of them says:

"Toward the end of the day, when the British naval guns were shelling the southern fort, a number of projectiles burst, damaging the suburb. All day armed burghers have been leaving Pretoria, going east. The greater part of the railway rolling stock has been removed.

"General Botha was fighting at essentially rear guard action, his object being not to defend Pretoria but to delay Lord Roberts until the railway switch had been cleared and the main part of the Boer army had started to withdraw. The British advance appears to have left open to the Boers the best line of retreat along the railway."

CANNON HELD HOUSE.

Adjournment Program Was Not Carried
Out in Consequence.

A Washington special says: After everybody had felt assured of adjournment Wednesday evening without any trouble the Republicans of the house got into a wrangle among themselves and the result was a recess until Thursday at 10 o'clock.

The cause of trouble was the item intended to take from the coast and geodetic survey much of its work and hand it over to the navy.

The navy people have been pulling hard for this and the senate has been with them, but the house, under the special leadership of Cannon, chairman of the appropriations committee, has made a fight for the coast and geodetic survey, claiming that the senate provision would kill that branch of the government.

Cannon attacked the house conferees, charging that they had not acted in good faith. This brought on a general fight with Foss, chairman of the committee, and Grosvenor and others. There were charges and counter charges of a highly interesting nature and these brought in the sharpest kind of an exchange of personalities.

Finally Cannon succeeded in doing something that is very seldom done, and that was to bring about the substitution of a new set of conferees.

CAUGHT ON TRESTLE.

Two Children Crushed to Death and Another
Badly Injured.

A special from Selma, Ala., says: As Mrs. Harper, Birdie Suttles, a young lady and Hugh and Edward Suttles, small boys, attempted to cross a trestle about half a mile from Lake Lanier, they were run down by the Southern passenger train from Meridian. Horror stricken, they screamed and made an effort to get off the trestle, but too late, the iron monster was upon them, carrying death, instant and fearful in its wake.

Mrs. Harper hastily jumped from the trestle into the small stream below, and escaped injury.

Birdie Suttles was struck by the engine, instantly killed and horribly mangled.

Hugh Suttles was also struck and instantly killed, his body being mangled almost beyond recognition.

Edwin, the other brother, escaped with his life, but one arm was terribly mangled, and it is a question whether or not he will recover from the shock.

PRUNE PACKERS COMBINE.

Company With \$1,000,000 Capital Organized
at San Jose, California.

As a result of a largely attended meeting of fruit packers in San Jose, California, Thursday, the California Prune Packers' Company has been incorporated with a capital of \$1,000,000, divided into shares of \$10 each.

The object of the company is the packing of prunes in co-operation with the California Cured Fruit association.

TROOPS FIGHT
THE "BOXERS"The Conflict in China Begins in
Earnest.

MORE AMERICANS ARE LANDED

Admiral Kempf and Minister Con-
ger Both Reiterate the Ser-
iousness of Situation.

The secretary of the navy has received the following cable from Admiral Kempf, commanding the United States steamship Newark, lying at the Taku forts at the mouth of the Pei Ho river, dated Taku, China, June 5:

"Engagement has commenced. Have landed force of fifty seven men more—battalion of marines."

The cipher message is not entirely legible, and it is supposed at the navy department the admiral means that he has landed fifty seven men to reinforce the band of marines already ashore.

Minister Conger, at Peking, cabled Wednesday that the situation was worse at Peking, and this statement, taken in connection with Admiral Kempf's alarming cablegram, decided the state department to strengthen the naval forces nearest the scene of trouble.

Accordingly a cablegram was sent to Admiral Bemy, at Manila, directing him to dispatch at once to Admiral Kempf's command the gunboat Helena, or if that craft is not at Manila and ready for immediate service, then some craft of correspondingly light draft and power.

Dispatches from Shanghai state that the soldiers dispatched to attack the Boxers have fought an engagement quite close to Peking. Many were killed on both sides.

In consequence of the representations of Japanese the landing of a large Russian force to Taku is alleged to have been stopped.

It is believed in Shanghai that should Russia persist in sending a preponderant military force to the front a collision with Japan will inevitably result.

Alarming reports are current of the hurried completion of the mobilization of the Japanese fleet.

News from Tien Tsin is to the effect that the Chinese servants of a Belgian engineer, who left Peking two days after the Belgians, saw five foreign and two Chinese dead bodies in the great canal, one being the body of a woman. A boxer placard threatens the extermination of the foreigners in Tien Tsin on June 10th.

Violent dissensions are reported to exist between the Chinese commander-in-chief of the forces, Jung In, and Prince Ching Tuan, who, in accordance with the wishes of the dowager empress, is strongly supporting the cause of the boxers.

The mobs who murdered the English missionaries, Robinson and Norman, mutilated and disemboweled the bodies.

"BOXERS" ARE SEMI-BARBARIANS.

More or less uncertainty and ignorance exists in the public mind relative to the Chinese secret society known as the "boxers," whose present activity threatens to precipitate the long anticipated partition of the celestial empire. According to The London Daily Mail the Chinese Society of Boxers constitutes in reality a great clan of murderers, estimated to contain in its ranks over 11,000,000 semi-barbarians, well organized, well armed, and as savage in their fanaticism as the Soudan dervishes.

The society was originally formed with the beneficent intention of protecting honest men from the depredations of the bandits. It was called Tao Hwei, which means "The Society of the Great Sword," a title which seems to have been changed at a comparatively recent date to the more familiar name which so often appears in our newspapers just now. When and where the clan originated is not certain.

VAN WYCK ON THE RACK.

Mayor Van Wyck of New York was called to the witness chair Saturday in the proceedings against the mayor, the dock commissioners and Charles W. Morse, president of the American Ice Company, which were begun some time ago before Supreme Court Justice Gaynor, in Brooklyn.

Boers Demolish Railway.

A London dispatch says: The Boers have torn up twenty-one miles of Lord Roberts' vital line of railway, between America siding and Roodeval. It is a bold raid and vexatious, but it does not disquiet the military authorities as yet.

WHEELER WILL BE RETIRED.

It is said at the war department that General Wheeler will be given no military assignment under his commission as brigadier general of regulars, but that he will be placed on retired list.

NORTH DAKOTA DEMOCRATS ACT.

The North Dakota state Democratic convention in Fargo, Wednesday, adopted a platform reaffirming the platform of 1896, denouncing imperialism and instructing delegates as to their duty.

MILES HAS NEW RANK.

Issues His First Order as Lieutenant General
of Army.

In accordance with the provisions of the military academy appropriation bill the president Friday issued commissions to Lieutenant General Nelson A. Miles, commanding the army, and Major General H. C. Corbin, adjutant general of the army. These are re-appointments and will be nominated to the senate at its next session in December. Lieutenant General Miles issued his first order Friday in his new rank.

OFFICIAL RECEPTION

Is Given Boer Peace Envoys At
Omaha, Nebraska—All Parties
Are Represented.

Envoy Wessels, of the Orange Free State, was given a big official reception by Omaha, Neb., Saturday. It was marked as being of a wholly non-partisan character. Governor Poynter, Populist, presided over the mass meeting; Mayor Moore, Republican, welcomed the envoy for the city; Captain H. E. Palmer, chairman of the Republican state central committee, was secretary of the meeting and read a number of communications; T. J. Mahoney, a Cleveland gold Democrat, made a stirring speech, and William J. Bryan was present and on call from the audience expressed his sympathy for the struggling republic.

At the Creighton theater a crowd of several thousand greeted Mr. Wessels.

"You don't hear the truth about us," said he. "England has all the cables and holds the ear of the world. You know the history of the Boers, for the Americans, I find, have read more than any other people on earth. You know how Kruger went to Europe twice and begged and entreated for liberty; you have read how Steyn has studied about the free nations of the world; he knows all about the American government, and when the English people say that we were the aggressors and threatened to drive the English people into the sea, do you think that those two men would think for a moment that they could do such a thing? Why, there are only 250,000 people in both our republics, from the smallest infant to the men bigger than I am."

Calls were heard for Mr. Bryan and he finally responded in an impassioned address. He spoke in part as follows:

"I came as a citizen, an American citizen, to be present with other American citizens to meet the representatives of the Boer republics; to join with you in expressing to them our sympathy for their cause and, as I earnestly believe, the sympathy of a great majority of the American people. I trust that the day will never come when a nation fighting for liberty will look in vain to the American people for sympathy and aid."

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AUDITOR'S REPORT

In the Southern Mutual Building
and Loan Cases—Papers Con-
stitute Four Volumes.

An Atlanta dispatch says: Four large volumes of closely printed type-written papers constituted the report in the Southern Mutual Building and Loan Association, which was filed by Auditor T. A. Hammond in the superior court Friday.

As there are several hundred persons directly and others indirectly affected by the finding of the auditor, the report is more than ordinary interest.

The auditor decides that stockholders who had filed notices of withdrawal should not be allowed any preference over other stockholders.

Another interesting point decided was that the withdrawing members were not entitled to be classed as stockholders. He held further that if directors and officers of the association were receiving salaries from the association not warranted by its assets, the conduct of these directors in receiving the salaries was not such a wrong to the stockholder as would warrant a judgment being entered against the various directors to recover back the salaries paid.

In his report Auditor Hammond also makes an important decision in fixing the liability of the borrowers. He reports \$16,000 against the Bates-Farley Savings bank in favor of the association.

The Southern Mutual case is one of considerable magnitude. It is believed to be the largest of its kind in the country, and has attracted more than local attention ever since the collapse of the association several years ago. The amount of money that the stockholders will get will depend largely upon the sum collected by the receivers. Auditor Hammond has listed the amounts standing to the credit of all.

According to the report, between the time of its organization and until the appointment of receivers some three years ago, the association lost about \$350,000.

USED A COWHIDE.

A Jilted Lover Wreaks Vengeance on
His Alien Nemesis.

Seeking vengeance for a broken engagement and for the loss of his pretty sweetheart, J. J. O'Hern, the manager of the Wine Cocoa Company of Atlanta, Ga., went to Jacksonville, Fla., and vigorously plied a buggy whip to the back and head of Frank W. Chase, the Jacksonville manager of the Cable Piano Company.

No Hope for Snell.

The Court of Appeals of the District of Columbia has declined to interfere with the sentence imposed by the district criminal court upon Benjamin H. Snell, the Georgia murderer.

BULLER BLOCKS BOERS.

Secures a Position West of Lange Nek To
Menace Burghers.

A London special of Friday says: General Buller has at length taken the offensive and by maneuvering he has secured a position west of Lange Nek, by which he believes he can make the Boer positions untenable. Presumably he will immediately follow up his success.

MISSIONARIES ALARMED.

Methodist Episcopal Board at New York
Receives Message From Peking.

The following cable from Peking was received in New York Monday at the Methodist Episcopal board in New York:

"Peking, June 9.—Massacre native Christians. Situation foreigners critical. Press Washington."

The message came direct from the missionary society at Peking, of which Messrs. Davis and Gamewell are in charge. A copy was immediately sent President McKinley.

SOUTH CAROLINA
STATE NEWS ITEMS.

Campaign Has Begun.

The state campaign was started off in Orangeburg. It promises to be a long and tedious one. If there were no other than the gubernatorial candidates there would be quite an amount of speaking-mach, but the governor will have a great deal of company.

Months ago certain names were mentioned in connection with the various places, and although there has been general expectation that there would be numerous other candidates, the list seems to have been completed with the entries of months ago.

Although all of the pledges have not been filed, and there is abundant opportunity for new candidates to come out, there does not seem to be much prospect of new material coming out, although this would be an element of opportunity for advertising purposes if not elected.

Thus far the candidates who are regarded as being in the contest for governor are in alphabetical order as follows: Frank B. Gary, of Abbeville; James A. Hoyt, of Greenville; A. Howard Patterson, of Barnwell; Miles B. McSweeney, of Hampton, and G. Walt Whitman, of Union.

If each of the gubernatorial candidates talks for half an hour, two and a half hours of the time of the world of the meetings will be consumed in that division alone, and the other candidates would have a hard time to hold the crowd.

Senator Tillman is anxious to attend as many meetings as possible, but does not think that he will be at all of the meetings, as the national Democratic committee is anxious to have him do some campaign work, especially in the northwest, and if he has no opposition Senator Tillman thinks he can do more good in the national campaign. He will in any event make a number of speeches, in which he will "give an account of his stewardship and what he expects to do."

It may be well to repeat that candidates for the house and senate are not expected to nor are they required to pay any assessments or file any pledges with the state committee. News and Courier.

THEY WANT A SYNOGOGUE.

The "Tree of Life," the Jewish organization in Charleston which has in view the synagogue, met a few days ago and elected the following officers: President, Philip Epstein; vice president, H. Kaitzik; secretary, David Smetman; treasurer, August Kohn; trustees, J. H. Epstein, B. L. Ruben, August Kohn, J. B. Garfunkel and J. B. Meyer. The organization is getting along well.

WILL BE OF WHITE SCOPE.

The South Carolina Interstate and West Indian Exposition to be held in Charleston will show to the world the resources of the industries and the advantages of South Carolina particularly and the whole south generally. Particular attention will be given to cotton, and the textile exhibit will be the best ever made in the south. The mining interests will be carefully considered. The manufactures in various lines will be given ample space and attention.

South Carolina as an agricultural state and the south as an agricultural section, will be shown as a most interesting object lesson. The big show will be planned on a generous scale, and will bring visitors from all sections of this country. Among the attractions that are confidently expected is a government exhibit.

This exposition will be the first of its kind held so far south, and manufacturers will come into a field here that has hardly been covered, except by catalogues and salesmen. Opening immediately after the Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo, a great many fine exhibits will be brought to South Carolina, and many people who will be able to go north next summer will find good reason to come south during the winter following.

The men at the head of the exposition project are well known for their keen business judgment, enterprise and good sense, and they will make the show creditable in every particular. Profiting by the experience of other exposition directors and officials, those in charge of the work can no doubt get better results at even less cost.

It is proposed that the exposition grounds be located within the corporate limits of Charleston, and probably on the Ashley river front. This will give a number of advantages over Nashville, Omaha, Atlanta and other cities. Charleston has the finest harbor on the South Atlantic, and its importance as a port will be even further admitted in a short time, for the United States is about to transfer the dry dock and naval station from Port Royal to Charleston.

Colored College For Beaufort.

Prof. J. W. Hoffman, professor of agricultural biology in the State College of South Carolina, has been visiting Beaufort examining the ground for the establishment of an industrial school for the training of colored youths in agricultural and mechanic arts.

The idea was first suggested after the visit of the Rev. P. F. Watson, colored, to Tuskegee at the invitation of Booker Washington some months ago. The Rev. Watson, who is pastor of a large and influential colored congregation in Beaufort, has always entertained the idea that the advancement of his race was through industrial pursuits, rather than through the efforts of mere literary attainments. He is a man of considerable financial ability, and his observations at Tuskegee confirmed his impressions and inspired an effort on his part to start a similar institution in the very heart of the negro country, where the material is so abundant and the advantage of the climate and location are more favorable.

He has been industriously engaged in exciting interest in his project, and among others Prof. Hoffman, the distinguished scientist of the State College, has taken a lively interest in what he, too, believes will redound

vastly to the advantage of the race and to the section where so many now thrifty youths of both sexes are to be found.

Prof. Hoffman is a cultivated man and is an example himself of what institutions of this character are capable of developing.

CLEMONS COLLEGE NOTES.

Everybody is praising the magnificent address of Dr. Winston at Clemson. It is to be hoped that he will soon allow its publication in full.

The board of trustees of the college have decided to donate the capacity of the textile school and to erect a plant for the use of the botanist. Dr. A. P. Anderson was elected entomologist and Mr. C. C. Newman horticulturist.

Dr. Hartzog has appointed Mr. S. E. Liles, of the graduating class, to be a major of the military department.

THE SUMMER SCHOOLS.

In a few days the summer schools will be in progress in sixteen of the counties, as follows:

Horry and Marlboro began on the 4th inst.; Oconee, to begin on the 13th, and beginning on the 11th, Abbeville, Anderson, Cherokee, Darlington, Georgetown, Kershaw, Lancaster, Laurens, Pickens, Spartanburg, Union, York.

CONSTABLE GIVES BAIL.

William Bishop, the constable who killed Fred Norman on the public square, at Spartanburg, got bail in the sum of \$1,000. He made the bond and is free again.

BELLINGER FILES HIS PLEDGE.

Attorney General G. Duncan Bellinger has filed his pledge as a candidate for re-election.

HOBSON COMING HOME.

Hero of the Merrimac Suffers From Long
Service in the Tropics.

Naval Constructor Richmond Pearson Hobson, who became famous through the sinking of the Merrimac at Santiago, has been condemned by a medical survey board on the Asiatic station and recommended to be relieved from his present duties and ordered home at once.

It is not believed that his health is necessarily undermined, but he is suffering from long service in tropical climates. It may not be necessary to order his retirement.

MORE TROOPS FOR PHILIPPINES.

Orders Given Companies of Sixth Cavalry
to Proceed to San Francisco.

Orders were issued at the war department Saturday for the first squadron of the Sixth cavalry, consisting of headquarters and companies A, B, C, D and the Third squadron of the same regiment, consisting of companies I, K, L and M, to proceed with out delay to San Francisco for transportation to the Philippines on the first available transports.

BARRIED FROM UNCLE SAM'S MAILS.

An order has been issued by the postmaster general barring from the mails all correspondence conducted with L. Levesque, of Montreal, Canada. This order is based upon a charge that the business conducted is a lottery.

FILIPINO STATE PAPERS FOUND.

A copy of the Manila Times received at Vancouver, B. C., tells of an important discovery by General Funston of insurgent documents and other articles which have been hidden by the Filipinos.

TWELVE BLOCKS BURNED.

Business Portion of a Minnesota Town Is
Laid in Ashes.

Thursday the entire business and most of the residence section of the town of Virginia, Minn., on the Mesabie iron range, was wiped out of existence by fire. In one hour's time fully one hundred and twenty-five buildings were reduced to ashes.

The flames broke out at the Moon and Kerr mill on the shore of Silver lake, southwest of the town, and were carried swiftly along by a high wind. The path of the flames was as clean cut as that of a cyclone.

NO RESTRICTION.

Senate Leaves Armor Plate Matter With
Navy Department.

During the closing session of the senate Wednesday, the Republicans passed a bill leaving the whole armor plate matter in the hands of the secretary of the navy. Under this bill he can pay for armor any price which he regards reasonable. There is no restriction whatsoever.

STUENENBERG IS UPHELD.

The forces of Governor Stuenenberg, of Idaho, triumphed Wednesday in the state Democratic convention by seating the contesting delegation from Sohoene county, friendly to the governor, the vote being 152 to 77.

BELLE BOYD DEAD.

Famous Confederate Spy Expires Sud-
denly in Wisconsin.

Belle Boyd, the famous Confederate spy, died suddenly of heart disease at Kilbourne, Wis., Monday night, aged fifty-seven years. She was in the city for the purpose of delivering a lecture.

GEORGIAN APPOINTED CONSUL.

Captain A. B. S. Moseley, of Rome,
Ga., Has Been Appointed Vice Consul
General for the United States at Singa-
pore, Straits Settlement. Several
of the Boers in the colony applied
for the position, and in a short while
he received notification from Secretary
Hay of his appointment.

INVESTIGATORS AT WORK.

Atlanta Council Committee Probing
Charges of Alleged Miscon-
duct of Mayor Woodward.

The official investigation by the Atlanta, Ga., city council's committee into the alleged reprehensible acts of