

Downers Grove Reporter.

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DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS.

CURRENT TOPICS

CONGRESS AND MISS GOULD.

Helen Gould is the Florence Nightingale of the Spanish-American war. That her services were not so long in duration and did not involve as much personal sacrifice as those of the noble Englishwoman was due to the shorter duration of the war and the far more limited field for benevolent effort.

STANARD AND CALDWELL.

It is within the range of possibilities that the two principal vice-presidential candidates this year will remember each other as old schoolmates.

BAYONETS VS. MAUSERS.

One of the cardinal beliefs with which England started into the Transvaal war was that the Boers would not stand the bayonet.

CHECKING THE PLAGUE.

The burning of the Chinese quarter of Honolulu to stamp out the bubonic plague was a drastic but probably effective measure.

JOUBERT'S NOBLE WIFE.

Gen. Piet Joubert's wife, it is said, accompanies her husband everywhere and insists on carrying him food wherever he may be.

GEN. WOOD'S CUBAN PLAN.

Gen. Wood's plan for a general reduction of the number of American soldiers in Cuba will be generally commended.

Too Much for Him.

An old farmer who was in the habit of eating what was set before him, asking no questions, dropped into a safe for dinner.

Of Course She Wouldn't Lie.

"Of course, I wouldn't lie, even to a conductor," she said, "but I just couldn't bear to pay fare for Ethel."

CRUELTY IN MADRID BULL RING

Bull Defeats a Panther, a Leopard, and Bear in Brutal Fight. A dispatch to the Standard from Madrid says that a disgraceful scene occurred in the bull ring there Sunday.

BITTER LEGAL FIGHT ENDS.

Minnesota Law Requiring Barbers to Take Out a License is Sustained. The fight over the Minnesota barber law, requiring all barbers in that state to have licenses, which has been bitterly waged for two years, ended in a victory for the law.

VENEZUELA IS TRANQUIL.

Hernandez Revolt Has Been Suppressed and He Has Fled. A letter from Caracas, Venezuela, says that, after nearly a year of continuous revolution, the country is once more tranquil.

Bad Blast in St. Louis.

Fire gutted four business blocks in the north end of the retail business section of St. Louis Sunday night. The contents of the eighteen large retail establishments were destroyed.

George Leftamboey Is Dead.

George Leftamboey, who was found unconscious in the bathroom of his apartments at Grand Rapids, Mich., on Monday with his brother dead in a bathtub of hot water, died Wednesday.

Echo Mountain House Burns.

Fire destroyed the Echo Mountain house on Mount Lowe, near Los Angeles, Cal., Monday. There were forty-five guests, all of whom escaped uninjured.

Zola Acquitted of Ethel.

M. Zola has been acquitted of the charge of calumniating M. Judet, the political director of the Petit Journal of Paris. Some time ago M. Judet published letters reflecting on Zola's father, and the latter published an attack on him.

Woman Burned to Death.

Mrs. Rebecca Kubitz, 60 years old, fell asleep on a hot stove at her home in St. Louis, Monday morning, that her clothes caught fire and she was burned to death.

DEATH OF SENATOR GOEBEL

It Has Resulted in New Complications at Kentucky's Capital.

Frankfort, Ky., tel.: The death of Gov. Goebel Saturday night, though not unexpected, came as a shock to friends and foes alike, and has greatly added to the difficulties of the situation.

STATE CAPITAL, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY.



MILITIA COMPANY WITH GATLING GUN READY FOR ACTION.

Gov. Taylor still remains shut up in the executive offices in the state house under a heavy guard of militia.

Attempt to Arrest Legislators May Result in Bloodshed.

Louisville, Ky., tel.: The republican members of the general assembly arrived here Sunday afternoon and held conferences with ex-Gov. Bradley and the other attorneys for the republicans in the election contest.

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Illinois Miners Defiant.

The scale committee of the operators and miners held a long session Wednesday, adjourning without announcing what had been accomplished.

There is some doubt as to whether Gen. Castleman has accepted or declined the office of adjutant-general. It is known, however, that he or some one else has been enlisting men for the democratic state guard.

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THE COURT HOUSE AT FRANKFORT.



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Funeral Set for Thursday.

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THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

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REQUEST 90,000 MORE TROOPS

General Buller Has Again Crossed the Tugela with Purpose of Relieving Ladysmith—Gen. French Captures 800 Boers at Unnamed Point.

Wednesday, Jan. 31.

Buller's losses exceed 1,300; mystery as to his plans, but belief that he will again attempt relief of Ladysmith increases; Boer losses at Spion kop were 53 killed and 120 wounded.

Thursday, Feb. 1.

Rumors are circulating in London that Gen. Buller has again crossed the Tugela. Definite news from South Africa is scarce.

Friday, Feb. 2.

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Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 3-5.

Unofficial reports that Buller crossed the Tugela above Trichard's drift, marching toward Acton Homes, from which road is over open country to Ladysmith. Battle may be in progress.

Monday, Feb. 6.

Chamberlain spoke in Parliament declaring war is just and denying that the country is in danger, although situation is serious.

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