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# 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 Suration 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. Her patriotic devotion to the care of the sick soldiers brought back to New York from the tropical malaria of Cuba for her from Uncle Sam's boys the title of "the angel of Montauk." Congress may be relied upon, now that the question is before it, to do the proper thing in the premises; and, whether it determines to express its appreciation of Miss Gould's patriotism and unselfish

#### STANARD AND CALDWELL.

devotion by a vote of thanks or by a

golden medal, the American people

will heartily indorse it. There is noth-

ing too good for Helen Gould, one of

America's brave women.

It is within the range of possibilities that the two principal vice-presidential candidates this year will remember each other as old schoolmates. Judge Heary C. Caldwell of Arkansas, who is being prominently mentioned in connection with second place on the democratic ticket, attended the old log schoolhouse in Van Buren county, Wisconsin, in which Hon. E. O. Stanard, ex-lieutenant-governor of the state, learned his A B C's, Mr. Stanard is being talked of as Mr. McKinley's possible running-mate. The two were not only schoolmates, but were strongly attached to each other, and for years were called chums.

#### 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. That belief cost the British 40 per cent of their attacking force at Splon kop, said to be a greater per cent than any British force has lost in battle since Albuera in 1811. Mausers have proved to be more formidable than bayonets, and hot lead more destructive than cold steel. After this expensive lesson possibly Gen. Buller will come to Grant's opinion, that the bayonet is of doubtful utility in war-and that this is especially true in the hills of Natal.

#### CHECKING THE PLAGUE.

of Honolulu to stamp out the bubonic plague was a drastic but probably effective measure. And the local authorities and general public showed most commendable zeal in providing for the wants of those whom the safety of the city made it necessary thus to deprive of their homes, says the Chicago Inter Ocean. It is hoped that Honolula will see to it that the burned district is rebuilt in consonance with modern sanitary rules, in order that it shall not again become a menace to the health of the whole city.

### JOUBERT'S NOBLE WIFE.

Gen. Plet Joubert's wife, it is said, accompanies her husband everywhere and insists on carrying him food wherever he may be. It is safe to say that no Boer dares to stand in the way of Mrs. Piet Jouhert as she carries a snack to the general and takes a turn, 'if(necessary, at a gun while he is dining. So long as the famous Dutch general's commissariat is in such excellent hands the British will have difficulty in reaching Pretoria.

### 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. It should be especially popular with the Cubans themselves, for it contemplates replacing many of the merican soldiers with natives of the Mand. The size of the army will be promeed to 6,000, if this plan is adoptad, and of these only 3,000 will be Americans.

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 eafe for dinner. The waiter gave him de dinner card and explained that it was the list of dishes served for dinner that day. The old gentleman began at the top of the bill of fare and ordered each thing in turn until he had covered about one-third of it. Then he called the waiter and, confidentially marking off the spaces on the card with his index finger, said: "Look here. I've et from thar to thar. Can I skip from that to that and eat on to the bettom?"

### Of Course She Wouldn't Lie.

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

"How did you get out of it?" "Why, I told him she was 5 years ald yesterday. She was, you knowto the day Before, and the day before at and in fact, every day for the we and a helf years. I didn't the wan't more than 5, but oh, I couldn't

### CRUELTY IN MADRID BULL RING

Bull Defeats a Panther, & Lioness, and Bear in Brutal Fight.

A dispatch to the Standard from Madrid says that a disgraceful scope occurred in the bull ring there Sunday. Twelve thousand spectators witnessed a struggle between a small panther and an old lioness, a large bear and a powerful bull. The bull soon terribly gored the panther and lioness. ceived terrible tossings and a number of bad wounds, from which the blood flowed freely, before it gave in. The spectators were so enthusiastic over first they did not show fight. Twenty persons in one of the galleries were seriously wounded by slugs. One lost both eyes, and another one eye. The keeper was arrested. The three gored animals died only after many hours of suffering.

#### BITTER LEGAL FIGHT ENDS.

Minnesota Law Requiring Barbers to

Take Qut 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 the Minnesota Supreme court Monday in a victory for the law. George A. Zene of Minneapolis refused to take out a license, was arrested, and his case carried to the highest court. Justice Brown decided that the law is a protection from disease so easily spread by nuclean barbers, and the requirements of the law in this regard are not unreasonable. It is held that the public is interested in the maintenance of cleanly barber shops, where the patrons are safe from disease, and there is just as much necessity for this law as there is for those regulating the practice of dentistry, law, medicine or plumbing.

#### 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. The revolt led by Gen. Jose Manuel Hernandez has been suppressed, and the later has fled to Colombia, where he will probably remain an exile. President Cipriano Castro is preparing a proclamation of peace, which he intends to issue about Feb. 1. All but three political prisoners have been released.

#### Scoffs at British Shells.

Commandant Albrecht of the Boer army has written to a friend at Magdeburg criteising Block's book, with which he disagrees regarding the deadly effect of modern artillery. He says:

"Day before yesterday we battered Buller and scarcely fired a single shell. What the British use are not worthy the name of cannons. Out of 100 shells fired by the British not ten exploded. The burning of the Chinese quarter | These create more uprour than dam-

> Commandant Albrecht admits that the Boer artillery has failed, by a long way, to achieve the results generally expected. He says they fired 100 shells at the battle of Colenso, and it is doubtful if 100 men were injured by them. The riffemen in ten minutes accounted for more men than did the artillery in ten hours.

### Bad Blaze 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 and fully Afteen other stores were more or less seriously damaged by fire or water. It is conservatively estimated that at least \$2,000,000 worth of property was destroyed during the six hours of the conflagration. For a while the business section of the city was threat ened and the entire force of the fire department was pressed into service for the first time in the history of the ity. In fighting the flames one man was killed, one fatally injured and eight others seriously hurt.

George Leftsmboy Is Dead. George Leflamboy, 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. An examination of his body shows a heavy bruise in the small of his back, two large blisters on the leg, and another blister on his foot. How these injuries were received deepens the mystery, as no evidences of the struggle were found in the apartments occupied by the brothers, and there was hothing in the hot bathroom to cause the burns. A theory has been advanced of murder and suicide, but as yet nothing has been discovered to anbstantiate it.

#### Eche Mountain House Burns. Fire destroyed the Echo Mountain house on Mount Lowe, near Los Angeles, Cal., Monday. There were fortyfive guests, all of whom escaped uninjured, and a majority were able to save most of their effects. The less is esti-

\$900 insurance.

mated at \$100,000, and there was but

Zola Acquitted of Libel. 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 so close to a hot stove at Moline, Ill., Monday morning that her clothes caught fire and she was burned

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

bear gave the bull more trouble. It re- of Gov. Goebel Saturday night, though | cemetery here. It has been decided to the bull's victory that they scarcely in by the bitter partisans of both sides, noticed the reports of a gun fired by and many threats of reprisals and Wednesday morning and lie in state a keeper, to goad the beasts when at | counter reprisals are being made. Lieut.-Gov. Beckman, who was summoned and sworn in as governor to succeed Mr. Goebel before the latter's death was made public Saturday night, is credited with being firm and coolheaded, and is said to have the adherents of his party to the controversy well in hand. His first official act was the issuing of an proclamation appointing Gen. Castleman to the command of the state militia, and ordering all armed men, including those militiamen loyal to Gov. Taylor's cause to lay down their arms and disperse to their It is known, however, that he or some homes. By this act he virtually de- one else has been enlisting men for the clares all men found bearing arms, ex- democratic state guard. Gen. Castle-

Frankfort, Ky., tel .: The death | tucky's distinguished dead at the state not unexpected, came as a shock to take the body to Covington, Mr. Goefriends and foes alike, and has greatly bel's home, Monday evening on a speadded to the difficulties of the situa- cial train. The body will there lie in tion. Much wild talk is being indulged state at Odd Fellows' hall Tuesday. It will be brought back here early in the ball room of the Capitol hotel until 10 o'clock at night.

The funeral services will be held at noon Thursday. In accordance with Mr. Goebel's wishes, the services will be simple. Ministers of several denominations will take part. Committees of democratic members of the house and senate will accompany the remains to Covington and back again.

Castleman's Position in Doubt. There is some doubt as to whether Gen. Castleman has accepted or declined the office of adjutant-general. cept under the command of Gen. Cas- man admitted Sunday night he had se-

STATE CAPITAL, FRANKFORT, KENTUCKY.



MILITIA COMPANY WITH GATLING GUN READY FOR ACTION.

with him and will be with him in the of infantry, which would report at prosecution of the men so captured by once to Col. C. C. Bingill, commandant the hundreds of deputies appointed by of the Louisville legion, or the First his provost marshal, he is in a post- Kentucky regiment, now on duty at tion to score an important advantage. Frankfort. When asked where he Taylor Under Guard.

Gov. Taylor still remains shut up in the executive offices in the state house under a heavy guard of militia. A report is in circulation tonight that certain of the more violent members of the Goebel forces are stationed at convenient points around the capitol grounds for the purpose of assassinat-

ing Gov. Taylor as soon as he ventures from his place of seclusion in the executive building. Mr. Taylor is expecting this, and in his movements every precaution will be taken. Threats have also been made against Adj.-Gen, Collyer and Secretary-Elect Blackburn. Gov. Tayor is believed to be in danger. and it may be several days before he ventures out of the executive building. Search for Assassin.

The friends of Mr. Goebel will make every effort to capture his slayer. Money will be raised by them and a tempting reward offered for the arrest and conviction of the man. If the shooting was the result of a conspiracy, as they contend, it is reasonable to suppose the facts will come out. They go on the principle that one man can keep a secret, but several can not. They predict that before the matter is settled there will be several arrests, and the names of several high officials are mentioned in this connection.

### Feneral Set for Thursday.

Mr. Goebel's funeral will be held Thursday from one of the churches in Frankfort. The remains will be deposited in a vault for several months, and then interred in a lot among Ken-

tleman, outlaws, and as the courts are joured enough men to form a battalion would get arms and ammunition, Gen. Castleman smilingly remarked, "We already have them stored away."

### SERIOUS CLASH IS FEARED.

Attempt to Arrest Legislators May Kesult 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. All of the legislators left on late trains for London, Ry., to which point Gov. Taylor adjourned the general assembly, to meet Tuesday. Accompaning these were several democratic members, who declared that they did not care to subject themselves to arrest.

Mr. Beckham, the democratic governor, and all his leaders, are also here, having come from Frankfort Sunday evening, and it is said upon high authority that they propose to try to establish their state government here, where they will have at least police protection.

### Legislators Fles to Oblo.

Cincinnati, Ohio, telegram: Thirty two democratic members of the Kentucky legislature, including eight senators, arrived here Sunday night, presumably to avoid arrest by the republican sergeants-at-arms of the Kentucky general assembly. It is said only four democratic senators and five representatives were left at Frankfort -- a number sufficient to convene the legislature there.

THE COURT HOUSE AT FRANKFORT,



STATE TROOPS GUARDING THE BUILDING TO PREVENT MEETING OF LEGISLATORS.

To Release Pretorious.

Gen. Lord Roberts, a few days ago, informed the military authorities at Pretoria that Commandant Pretorius wounded and was a prisoner in the hands of the British, and that one of his legs had been amputated. He added that he did not wish to detain so brave an officer, and asked where he should send him. A reply has been received asking Lord Roberts to send him to Modder river, where he can he

### Illinois Miners Defiant.

The scale committee of the operators and miners held a long session Wednesday, adjourning without anof the Transvaal army had been nouncing what had been accomplished, It is understood the operators will relinquish the position that the scale must be made on the general screen basis, just as the miners have agreed to abandon the run-of-the-mine basis for Ohio and Indiana fields. Illinois will hold out, however, and it would not be surprising if the extreme of a turned over to Commandant Cronje. | strike were resorted to in this field.

# GOEBEL THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Buller Lost Over 1,300 Men in Spion Kop Battle.

REQUEST 90,000 MORE TROOPS

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

#### Wednesday, Jan. 31.

Buller's losses exceed 1,300; mystery as to his plans, but that he will again attempt relief of Ladysmith increases; Boer losses at Spion kop were 53 killed and 120 wounded .- Petition signed by 40,000 Russian women asks President McKinley to offer mediation.-Cape Town reports that Mafeking was relieved by Plumer's forces one week ago .-Spanish government prohibited proposed pro-Boer mass meeting in Barcelona.-Lourenco Marques reporta that Boers may dam Klip river and flood Ladysmith. - Debate in commons on war was dull,-British losses reported to date, 9,605.

# Thursday, Feb. 1.

Rumors are circulating in London that Gen. Buller has again crossed the Tugela. Definite news from South Africa is scarce. From Mr. Wyndham's statement in parliament it appears the British forces engaged in the Transvaal, including 18,000 men on the way number 213,000. Criticism of the government is continued in the house of commons, but the officials show no inclination to throw light on the conduct of the war.

#### Friday, Feb. 2.

Gen, Kitchener's rigid cepsorship continues to keep Great Britian in the dark regarding military operations in South Africa. Consequently the publie is fed with rumors, among which are: Request by Lord Roberts for 90. 000 additional troops. Gen. Buller again across the Tugela and in battle. Capture by Gen. French of 800 Boers at some unnamed point. Gen. Tucker, in command of the Kimberley relief force, superseding Methuen. Should the reported demand for 99,000 more men be confirmed it is said conscription may be necessary. From Lourenco Marques comes a dispatch showing Col. Plumer was at Gaberones Jan. 26. thus seemingly disposing of the rumor that he has relieved Mafeking.

#### Saturday and Sanday, Feb. 4-5.

Unofficial reports that Buller crossed Tagela above Trichard's drift, marching toward Acton Homes, from which road is over open country to Ladysmith. Pattle may be in progress. Definite news not expected until White is relieved. Methuen's inactivity said to be due to his lack of sufficient troops to flank or make frontal attack. Consul Macrum arrived in New York, but refused to discuss Transvaal situation. Military experts say war proves defense is 10 to 1 as compared with attack. Spies in Ladysmith keep Boers informed of garrison's movements. Actress dressed in British flag hissed off the stage in Milwaukee. Portuguese authorities permit recruits to pass Delagoa frontier. Raid into Transvant from north said to have been planned. Miss Caroline Kirkland says Americans are hated by Boers. British talk of issning 5-20 or 10-40 bonds. British won skirmish near Rensburg. All quiet at Ladysmith Saturday.

### Monday, Feb. 5.

Chamberlin spoke in Parliament declaring war is just and denying that the country is in danger, although situation is serious. Dillon in reply said war was unprotoked. - The Times says rumors of Buller's crossing Tugela "do not seem altogether probable, and have not as yet been supported by any authoritative evidence."-Gen. French sent overwhelming infantry force to seize Norval's Pont and prevent a possible retreat of Boers. Paris reports that czar will demand arbitration,-Natives of India pray for British sucress.-Details of Gatacre's Stormberg defeat.-Gen. Woodgate's condition critical. - Swazis will resist Boer inva-

### Isla de Luzon Rebuilt.

The navy department has been notified by cable that the gunboat Isia de Luzon has been placed in commission at Hongkong. This is one of the Spanish ships sunk by Dewey. She has been practically rebuilt at Hongkong. The Ilsa de Cuha and Don Juan de Austria will soon be placed in commission at Hongkong. The Isla de Luzon will go to the Philippines.

# Meets Sugar Trust's Rise.

Arbuckle Bros. have advanced their prices of sugar to correspond with the American Sugar Refining company and have stopped selling at the old prices.

Dr. J. C. Castro, charged with arson at Terre Haute, Ind., succeeded in getting out of jail late Wednesday even ing on \$6,000 bail, furnished by rela-

Dr. Castro Secures Bail.

# To Form Appendicitis Cinb.

An appendicitis club is being organized in Cleveland, Ohio. Only those who have suffered from appendicitis and have a surgeon's certificate to show that they have undergone an operation are eligible to membership.

# Ask Repeat of Tax Law.

At a meeting of the Chicago Retail Druggists' association resolutions were passed calling on congress for the repeal of the tax on medicinal preparations. The meeting represented 900 retail drugists.

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Biggest Egg in the World.

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#### PRESIDENT KRUEGER AHEAD. Pretoria, Transvaal, South Africa, Dec. 7, 1899.

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