

THE TRANSVAAL PROSPECTS OF WAR

Boer Assurance that Britain Will Not Fight

MEETING OF CABINET COUNCIL UNANIMOUS—NO IMMEDIATE NEED TO CONVENE PARLIAMENT.

Additional Troops Will be Sent to South Africa.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER]

LONDON, Sept. 9.—Mr. Montague White, Consul General of the South African Republic, in London, said to a representative of the Associated Press yesterday:

"I assure you on the authority of a Cabinet Minister that there will be no war with the Transvaal. In fact the Queen will not permit war.

"I received a telegram from Pretoria today, assuring me that the Transvaal Government quite understands the position regarding the peace party in England and is in no wise misled by speeches or demonstrations."

LONDON, Sept. 9.—The Cabinet Council held yesterday was marked by absolute unanimity and in spite of the lack of official information and the presence of much corroborative evidence that the situation is scarcely less strained, there is no sign of any intention to convene Parliament and no immediate need exists to call out the reserves. It is probable, however, that appeals from the Government of Natal will result in the despatch of a large body of troops from England and India to Natal and Cape Colony.

LONDON, September 9.—The Times advises the Government to convene Parliament immediately to vote the needed supplies, adding that "a further loss of time may be dangerous and humiliating."

President Kruger's View.

In reply to the despatch of the British Government, the Transvaal on Saturday handed to the British agent in Pretoria a response, of which the following is the purport:—

"The Government of the South African Republic regrets that Great Britain is of the opinion that it is unable to accept the proposals made by the Transvaal in the despatches of August 19th and August 21st, by which the term for obtaining the franchise was fixed at five years and the representation of the Witwatersrand district was increased. The Government regrets this the more inasmuch as it considered itself able to deduce from the negotiations previous to its former proposals that the latter would be accepted by the British Government.

"In these conditions the Transvaal considers its proposals are annulled, and finds it necessary to submit them to the Volksraad and the people. It remains of the opinion that its proposals are extremely liberal, and more extensive than those presented by the British High Commissioner at Bloemfontein. It is also of the opinion that the conditions attached to these proposals are reasonable.

"The Transvaal never desired Great Britain to abandon any rights possessed by virtue of the London convention of 1884, or by virtue of international law. The Transvaal still hopes that these declarations will lead to a good understanding and a solution of the existing difficulties.

"With regard to the question of suzerainty, the Transvaal Government refers to the despatch of April 16th, 1898, and considers it unnecessary to repeat that despatch."

The reply then proceeds to say:—

"The Transvaal Government has already made known to the British agent its objections to accepting the proposals contained in the British High Commissioner's telegram of August 2, suggesting the appointment of delegates to draw up a report on the last electoral law voted by the Volksraad. If the one-sided examination referred to in the last British despatch should show that the existing electoral law can be made more efficacious, the Transvaal Government is willing to make a proposal to the Volksraad with this object. It is also disposed to furnish all the information and enlightenment possible, but is of the opinion that the result of such an enquiry, so far as regards a usual appreciation of the law, will be of

little value. Nevertheless, the Government is very desirous of satisfying Great Britain in the matter of the electoral law and the representation of mining districts."

ACCEPTS A CONFERENCE.

The reply then refers to Mr. Chamberlain's proposals respecting a joint enquiry, and says:—

"Considering that the proposal of Great Britain does not aim at any interference in the affairs of the Transvaal, and that the action would not be regarded as a precedent, but has solely for its object to ascertain whether the franchise law fulfils its purpose, the Transvaal will await the ulterior proposals of Great Britain as to the eventual constitution of such commission, as well as the place and time of the meeting."

The Transvaal Government further proposes at an early date to send a fresh reply to the letter of July 27, and express satisfaction that Great Britain has declared a readiness to negotiate on the question of a Court of Arbitration. It says it would like to learn, however, whether an Orange Free State burgher would be admitted to such a court, and what would be the scope of the court's discussion, it appearing to the Transvaal Government that the restrictions imposed will prevent the attainment of the objects aimed at. With regard to the ulterior conference, the Transvaal awaits the communications of Great Britain.

The Brussels agent of the Transvaal claims that, in making its recent proposals the Transvaal Government has acted on the advice of the British agent in Pretoria, Mr. Conyngham Greene.

"A POSITIVE INSULT."

The Standard, referring to the abstract of the reply of the Transvaal Government to Mr. Chamberlain, as given out to the Transvaal agent in Brussels, says:—"The despatch is a positive insult to the British Government. Clearly, we are within measurable distance of an ultimatum."

A Cape Town despatch says:—"Lieut.-General Sir Frederick Walker, who believes Gen. Sir William Francis Butler is commander of the British forces in South Africa, arrived here today. He was met by cheering thousands, and given a splendid reception."

A Durban, Natal, cable says:—"A number of natives are applying to the authorities for licenses to carry assegai. A relief committee has been formed here for the purpose of caring for refugees from the Transvaal."

The Capetown correspondent of the Daily Mail says that three days ago the Hon. J. H. Hoffman, the African leader in Cape Colony, telegraphed President Kruger, warning him that unless he complied with certain specified conditions war would be inevitable. Mr. Kruger replied, promising compliance. President Stein, of the Orange Free State, is also urging President Kruger, according to the Daily Mail's correspondent, to come to terms with Great Britain.

EXODUS OF UITLANDERS CONTINUES.

JOHANNESBURG, Sept. 8.—The staffs of a number of large financial houses are leaving for Cape Town, taking with them office books. Among the firms thus sending their employees and books southwards for safety are the Eckstein and Barnatoes. Great anxiety prevails, and the exodus of Uitlanders continues.

The Times publishes a despatch from Newcastle, Natal, which says that during yesterday's debate in the road regarding the proximity of the British troops to the Transvaal territory, Herr Delarey, a member of the Raad, said:—"The Boers only require half a day's notice to fight."

The correspondent of the Times, continuing, says:—"Many conclude that the defiant tone of the speeches is not unconnected with the fact that the Mauser ammunition which had been stopped at Delagoa bay has now been received. The Pretoria Government admits that a consignment of cannon is now on its way from France. It is the evident aim of the Boers to secure time until grass and water are plentiful, the burghers fully recognizing that a peaceful settlement of the difficulty is out of the question."

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CRISIS OF THE DREYFUS TRIAL

The Prisoner has Been Convicted

SENTENCED TO TEN YEARS IMPRISONMENT.

Great Excitement in Rennes and Paris.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

RENNES, Sept. 9.—That Dreyfus will be condemned is the almost universal opinion heard in Rennes. Hitherto there had been a divergence: but now both camp, Dreyfusards and anti-Dreyfusards, seem unanimous in the conviction that the verdict will go against him.

Upon just what this is based and the precise reasons of the conclusion are a mystery. But there is no disguising the fact that from the Maitre Labori down to the fine numbers of Dreyfusards who crowded the hotels and cafes, all now agree that his last chance is gone.

The one source of hope is Maitre Labori himself, who said: "We fear that Captain Dreyfus will be condemned; but we don't intend to throw up the sponge; we shall go on fighting for him."

LATER.

RENNES, Sept. 9.—Dreyfus has been found guilty.

LATEST.

RENNES, Sept. 9.—Dreyfus has been sentenced to ten years imprisonment.

BIG FIRE IN OTTAWA.

Sisters and Children Escape in their Night Clothes.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

OTTAWA Sept. 9.—The St. Xavier Academy and Sister of Mercys Convent here were destroyed by fire last night. The inmates numbering sixty including the sisters and their pupils escaped in their night clothes without injury.

PLENTY OF MONEY.

Manufacturing Enterprise in Toronto

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

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