

joined with him, and together they fixed up a nice little plot. Dr. Jameson, the Administrator of Rhodesia, was to bring a large portion of the Chartered Company's forces to Mafeking, on the borders of the Transvaal. At the same time, arms were to be smuggled into Johannesburg, and the Outlanders were to be quietly organised. At a given signal the Boer arsenal at Pretoria was to be seized, the Outlanders armed, the President arrested, and a new provisional government proclaimed. At the same time Jameson was to ride over the border with a thousand men to help the new Government.

Kruger had a shrewd idea of what was going on, though he did not realise the full extent of the plot. In a gruff and biting sentence he told his people that they must wait till the tortoise put its head out of the shell, and then they could stamp on it.

But the Reformers started quarrelling among themselves as to whether the new Government was to be under Great Britain or not. Urgent messages were sent to Dr. Jameson to delay his invasion until this point was settled, but the