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## Parliament On the War

Ruller's Speady Success May Have Important Effect on Politics.

Lansdowne Urged to Exchange Portfolio in Concession to Public Feeling.

Liberal Policy to Slate Government for Delay in

New York, Jan. 21 .- The London cor

campaign."

"People who talk of their holding out long are, to my mind, mistaken in their calculations. It is quite true that President Kruger is obstinate and can be personally relied upon to protract matters to the extermination point, but he is not so very popular, and the Boer people may have something to say."

Prince Borits is going back to Rhodesia. Of that country he expressed himself in most enthusiastic terms. He says that there are coal, gold and almost all the minerals there, and that further it is a wonderful country for pasture.

BOER OBSTINANCY.

onvinced of Ultimate Defeat B. Still Determined to Fight to the Last.

Rome, Jan. 21.-Mr. Charles E. Maparliament says:

"The cabinet has made final arrangements for a session of parliament which will be devoted almost entirely to war measures. The ministers propose, but Buller and Joubert dispose. A victory at the Tugela and relief of Ladysmith will clear both the military and the political situation. Buller's defeat and the downfall of Ladysmith will render the re-construction of the ministry inevitable. Indeed it is not improbable that there may be a change in the war office even if Bul-

### EXCITING DAY IN LONDON.

War Office Lobbles Thronged in Expec All Right. ation of Great News From Lady-

London, Jan. 22, 1.25 a.m.—Yesterday Little Garrison Stoutly Resistwas quite a record day at the war office. ing and Relief Force As if anticipating important news, the authorities announced on Saturday that **Steadily Approaching** the lobbies of the war office would be open throughout Sunday, and the knowlopen throughout Sunday, and the knowledge that a great critical battle was proceeding brought a continual stream of inquirers of all classes. Some gloomy forebodings were caused by the bulletin announcing that nearly three hundred had been wounded, but in general cheery confidence was expressed in the skill of General Buller's movement.

On it being announced that further depatches were improbable for the rest of the night, the crowd dispersed, expressing disappointment. Boers' Siege Gun Displaced by Clever Working of Anti-

quated Battery.

**Enemy Earn Contempt of In-**

habitants by Firing on

Women's Laager.

Mafeking, Jan. 10 .- All accounts from

ing disappointment.

Mr. Chamberlain will dine at Osborne
House with the Queen to-day (Monday)
and will return to London to-morrow.

near and far indicate a raising of the GIFT OF DANISH FARMERS.

## **How Buller** Has Planned

London Satisfied to Guess While Admitting Wisdom of the Cable's Silence.

Boers Yet Outnumber the British Force and Hard Fighting Ahead.

Main Reliance, on the Artillery

London, Jan. 22.—(4:30 a.m.)—The justifiable severity of the censorship at the present moment prevents the special correspondents from giving additional information to supplement Gen. Buller's latest despatch. The success of the movement depends almost entirely how far he proves able to out-manoeuvre the Boers, whose available forces are doubtless larger than his own. The chief difficulty lies in the ability of the Boers to transport men, stores and ammunition quickly and to entrench new positions. Secrecy regarding Gen. Buller's progress, therefore, is essential, and the public here is quite content to wait patiently.

ROBERTS AND CAPE DUTCH

Officers Admonished to Respect Citizens Property and to Act in Conciliatory Manner.

Roberts, purposing not to alienate the respect the rights of non-combatants, r gardless of race or sympathies, has is sued, through Lord Kitchener, his chief of staff, the following order:

"The Commander-in-Chief wishes to impress upon all officers who may at any time be in charge of columns or detached mmands, the grave importance of do ing all in their power by good and conand Cavalry With Frontal
Attacks Avoided.

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## Mr Martin's **Experience**

Capetown, Saturday, Jan. 20.-Lord The Ex-Attorney General Falls to Win Back Nanaimo Friends

> Fervent Championship of Supposed Labor Interest of No Effect.

Audience Makes Plain That He Has Committed Unpardon-