

Town, Then all three columns should mark time until strong reinforcements can reach them.
 Seize Delagoa Bay.
 A more which all unitary men addres and one which is obviously the best from all but the political point of view is, the invasion of the Transraal through Portares territory. The Foreign Office still hesitates to make such a move. Berlaps.it will be even less inclined to do so now in view of the week's terrible humiliation or Berlish prestige, as the move would furnish the necessary excuse, if any power is waiting for such excuse, for demanding a voice in the quarrel. If, however, the Continent situation is as secure as Lord Salise bury declared a month ago, then it would seem that the emergency quite justifies at a three successive remover is wait in the quarrel. If, however, the Continent officers.
 More that emergency quite justifies at contains the three successive remore determined.
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military problem. More Forces Needed. More Forces Needed.
 The first necessity is the prompt despatch of more infantry, artillery and cavalry. England to-day has spoken in no uncertain volce on this point. There is a universal demand, which the Government would be compelled promptly to obey, even if its own judgment did not counsel such a thing, that a great additional force be hastened to Sorth Africa at the fastest speed and regardless of expense. The War Office and regardless of expense, that an additional division will be sent, is scouted as absurdly inadequate. Great Britain must now fight not only two Boer republics, but a half: rebellious colony. To-day's hastily summoned (Cabinet meeting undoubtedly took as its ince, which at the outbreak of the following notice was posted at the War Office:



a choice stock of the finest wines and liquors, which are of excellent quality, and the prices are the closest in the city. Good Brandy \$1 bottle, Port and Sherry 50c, Crown Whiskey 60c. Order Shamrock Ale. C. TAYLOR,

205 Parliament Street. Telephone to Taylor, 585-delivery to any part of the city.

Englishmen Are Determined. Notwithstanding the three successive re-verses, Englishmen are more determined than ever to win, and at the army and navy and other clubs to-night the impres-sion prevails that the check is only tempor-

London, Dec. 17.—Shortly before mid-night the following notice was posted at the War Office:

the War Office: "As the campaign in Natal, in the opinion of Her Majesty's Government, is likely to require the presence and un-divided a Sention of Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, it has been decided to send Baron Roberts of Kandahar and Water-ford as commander in chief in South Africa, with Lord Kitchener as chief of staff.

Fusiliers. Captain M. L. IIUGHES, Medical Corps. Lieutenant C. H. JENKINS, Thorney-croft's Mounted Infantry. Lieutenant F. H. S. ROBERTS, son of Barou Roberts of Kandahar.

Lieutenant F. H. S. ROBERTS, son of Barou Roberts of Kandahar. OFFICERS WOUNDED. Colonel I. G. BROOKE. Colonel LONG. Colonel H. HUNT. Major R. H. C. Heygate. Major A. W. GORDON. Captain N. J. GOODWYN. Captain J. F. RADCLIFFE. Captain J. F. RADCLIFFE. Captain J. F. RADCLIFFE. Captain A. J. HANCOCK. Captain A. J. HANCOCK. Captain A. J. HANCOCK. Captain M. F. HERSEY. Captain H. J. BUCKLEY. Captain H. J. BUCKLEY. Captain J. F. S. PROBYN. Captain J. F. S. PROBYN. Captain J. E. R. BRUSH. Captain J. E. R. BRUSH. Captain H. D. WHITE-THOMAS. Captain H. D. WHITE-THOMAS. Captain H. J. REED. Captain H. I. REED. Captain H. I. REED. Captain F. A. G. ELTON. Captain W. H. CONGREVE. FHGURES BY REGIMENTS. These corps had officers wounded, as fol-Thorneycroft's

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ws: evonshire Regiment. file Brigade (Prince Consort's Own)... filh Brigade Staff. uniskilling Fusiliers. erder Regiment. Brtish Made an Attack and Killed Rangers... Pretoria, Thursday, Dec. 14.-Gen. Snyman reports from Mafeking, under date

Connaught Angels Dublin Fusillers Irlsh Fusillers Horse Artillery Field Artillery Medical Corps.....

 South African Light Horse
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 The despatch also says that Commandant

 PRISONERS OR MISSING.

 The following officers were taken prison

 ers or missing:

 Field Artillery

 Devonshire Regiment

 Royal Scots Fusiliers

 Royal Artillery

## TO GUARD TROOPSHIPS.

British Cruiser Cambrian Has Sail- Chicago Man Has Returned From ed for Cape Verde Islands for That Purpose,

Gibraltar, Dec. 17 .- The British cruise

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AUSTRALIA'S FURTER AID. England Accepts the Offer of Further Contingent of

Mounted Men. Sydney, N.S.W., Dec. 16 .- The Imperial GOOD NEWS FROM MAFEKING authorities have telegraphed to the Gov-ernor of New South Wales, Earl Beau-

It is Expected That the Siege Will champ, accepting the offer of a further Australian contingent for South Africa, and suggesting that the men should be mounted and good shots. Be Raised in a Few London, Dec. 17 .- An undated despatch

Days.

One Man-Condition of Gen.

Joubert Improving.

of Wednesday, Dec. 13, that the British at-

tacked the Boer fort. The Boer casualtie

were one man-killed and one wounded.

The despatch also says that Commandant

BOERS FULLY EQUIPPED.

Johannesburg and Has a

Story to Tell.

Chicago, Dec. 17.-John McCracken

from Mafeking to The Pall Mall Gazette BRITISH CABINET MEETS. says: "The slege will probably be raised in

# A Hasty Call to Consider the Pre-

sent Crisis in South Africa.

a few days, when the townspeople will tender their thanks to Col. Baden-Powell. "The enemy's fire has slackened. Our cosmulties are confined to natives almost entirely. There are a few wounded in the ensities are contracted wounded in the nespital. "There is much sickness in the women's laager, where the death rate is high, chief-ly amongst the children." London, Dec. 16.-A hastily summoned meeting of the Cabinet was held at the Foreign Office this afternoon for the purpose of dealing with the war crisis. Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, the Secretary of State for the Colonies, was not present at the meeting. BOER REPORT FROM MAFEKING.

## HOW IT IS VIEWED IN ROME.

Buller's Reverse Regarded as Most Serious for the Military Prest-

ige of England. Rome, Dec. 16 .-- Gen. Buller's reverse produced a profound impression in all circles here, where it is regarded as most serious for the military prestige of Eng-COMMAND DEPLETED 20 PER CENT.

serious for the barry of a serious for the subject. The Avanti says: "It is a to the subject. The Avanti says: "It is a voritable disaster to Great Britain, and the chief responsibility fails upon Mr. Chamberlain. The probability is that the final success of the British troops will thereby be considerably diminished." The Italia is of the opinion that the cause of Imperialism in South Africa has sustained a severe check. The Tribuna says the defeat brings into prominence the weakness of the British During a 'Two-Days' March Among

of the 33rd Infantry has abandoned his pursuit of Aguinaldo, and has reached Bagnon, in the heart of the Cordillera, where ce the artiflery. the range is 10,000 feet high, and food is

### CHURCHILL RECAPTURED.

Lord Charles Confirms It,

American Commander Has Given Up

Pursuit of the Filipino Chief,

Aguinaldo.

Almost Inaccessible Mountain

Manila, Dec. 16 .- Major Peyton C. March

Passes.

will try to embarrass England during her Transvani troubles, are two pieces of news cabled to The Journal and Advertiser. One is the fact that Lord Charles Beresford has resigned his Parliamentary seat to take command of the recently much strengthened Mediterranean fleet. The other is a despatch from Adea that in-triguers at the court of Abyssinia are be-ginning to stir up trouble for England. It is asserted that Lord Beresford's haste to join the fleet was caused by the re-celpt of this Abyssinia news. How the Gordons Were Caught How the Gordons Were Caught. The Gordon Highlanders were held in reserve till 10 o'clock on Monday morning, when they went forward in wide order to-ward the base of the east kopje. They got within 500 yards of this point without any casualties worth mentioning, when they sud-denly encountered a strong cross fire. The Boers had allowed them to reach the point where they were concealed in the trenches and then the burghers enfladed the High-landers.

Scandinavians Like Tramps.

Lord Charles Confirms It. London, Dec. 16.—Rear Admiral Lord Chas. Beresford confirmed to-day the Associat-cd Press announcement of his appointment to second in command of the British Medi-terranean fleet. He has informed his con-stituents that this necessitates his resigna-tion of his seat in the House of Commons, where he has represented York city in the Conservative interest. Early in the fighting, the Highland Bri-gade demolished the Scandinavian contin-gent of about 200. Some of the Scandina-vians were taken prisoners. They look like

Boer Force 16,000. It is stated that the Boer forces num-bered 16,000. The Free State troops were at the base of the hill and the Transval burghers along the right of the trench. The scene opposite the Transval troops in the direction of the hospital was pitiable. Many burghers could be seen helping wounded comrades into wagons and then driving off. The Boers are almost invisible from Mod-der River. Occasionally they are noticed rounding the side of a kopje. Cantive Balloon at Work. Boer Force 16,000. MAJOR MARCH TIRED OF IT

Captive Balloon, at Work A captive balloon behind the British ines was trained so as to give a view to the east and west, and report the effect of the shell fire. It was too far distant from the enemy, however, to be of great ser-

Boers Burying Their Dead. Parties who were out looking for the wounded on Tuesday morning saw the Boers-burying their dead in a long trench around the base of the hill, where the fight-

ing took place. A Boer doctor accompanied the British Ambulance Corps among the wounded on the field this morning.

### CANADA'S EYE OPEN.

Orders Received to Prepare 1000 Carbines for Cavalry Use in

South Africa. Quebec, Dec. 16.—The orders received yesterday from Ottawa, at the Militia Stores

scarce and travel almost impossible. From native couriers and Spanish prisoners it was learned that Aguinaldo left Bon-Department in Quebec, to prepare 1000

Snider succeeded in gett cards, \$5 in bills and \$1. men in the room, the su together with the one who police, were then lined u the patrol wagon, which the door. A Big Crowd Lo. A Big Crowd Lo. A big crowd watched th prisoners from the alleg besides the supposed kee were taken to the police of them were men of good unknown in police circle not given. But they hav hours since the raid for f The 10 men were compt the cells until Ald. Frat J.P., came at 3 o'clock y and admitted them to ba The police say they have in a letter written by o

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