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shot by the Boers at Alexanders fontein. "'The conservancy post to the south of Kimberley reservoirs has been missing since Nov. 4th. It is supposed to

have been captured by the Boers. "Browne, of Beaconfield, having ridden beyond the barriers yesterday, 18

Transper ingrousing Bulleric Inchies

"The situation, otherwise, remains unchanged."

Little Damage Done,

London, Nov. 11.-The following additional announcement was made by the War Office this afternoon:

"General Buller wires to-day at 10:15 a.m. that Colonel Kekewich reported on Nov. 8th that the bombardment of Kim- many here that the campaign in Natal there were no causalties.

Called on to Surrender.

wise the town would be shelled, the women and children remaining at Keke- finitely fixed. Even if the Boers have wich's risk. The Boers, it was added, already discovered that they have undersurround Kimberley in great force, with estimated General White's capabilities heavy artillery.

Movement of Boers.

Capetown, Tuesday, Nov. 7.-It is reported that a Boer force from Smithlie. It is estimated at 400 strong, with field guns.

Latest advices are that the Boers had ing, but the Bessetkraal force of Boers was momentarily expected.

It is reported the Boers have already captured some police and others on the outskirts of the place, and that Aliwal North is deserted and defenceless.

The railroad has been cut at Vryburg, two stations south of Aliwal North. Another Boer force is reported to have marched past Burghersdorp towards

Queenstown. The Transvaal contingent, which was expected to join the Free Staters between Springfontein and Bethulie, is reported to be delayed for want of horses.

REPULSED AT MAFEKING.

Boers Made Several Attacks, but Were Driven Back-They Lost Fifty Killed-British Losses Slight.

Capetown, Wednesday, Nov. S.-News out of action and the Boers retired.

They were reinforced, attacked again, and were repulsed.

On Tuesday they shelled Cangan Copje with little damage. On Wednesday there was a general

attack under the cover of the artillery, but the burghers were repulsed by Maxim and Hotchkiss guns. The Boer loss was fifty

British loss was slight. Shelling by heavy guns was renewed on Thursday, and the Boers massed with

the intention of making an attack, but this was prevented by a thunderstorm. On Friday there was a desultory rifle dict when the troops will disembark, fire and an occasional shell, but little loss of life, due to the excellence of shelter in the trenches. The heath and spirits of the troops are

good. British Officer Killed.

The War Office has also received from General Buller the following dispatch: "Capetown, Friday night, Nov. 10 .- A River had a skirmish with the enemy today about four miles east of Belmont.

"Casualties, in the Northumberland regiment, Lieutenant C. Wood and two privates wounded.

"This is the only report to hand."

Arrival of Troopships. London, Nov. 11 .- It is officially aned at Capetown with 3,676 troops. The not fall into the hands of the Boers. first two steamers immediately proceeded to Durban. It is supposed the Aurania's troops will be landed at Capetown.

Painting Rhodes. London, Nov. 11 .- A dispatch from Capetown, dated Wednesday Nov. 8, indicates that the American miniaturist, Amelia Russner, is among the beleaguered people at Kimberley. The dispatch adds that Mr. Rhodes is sitting to her for a miniature.

All Prisoners Treated Adike.

Durban, Nov. 11.-The government received letters from Col, Scheel, the Geran officer captured at Elandslaagte, in behalf of the Hollander prisoners, expressing gratitude for the kind and humane treatment. Boers and British, he says, are treated exactly alike. The colonel further expresses appreciation the civility and humanity of the British authorities at Ladysmith and Pietermar-

itzburg. Victoria Prize Court.

Victoria as points where prize courts derland, no serious collision has yet ocwill sit and giving warrants to the Ex- curred. chequer court to hold the same if found necessary.

Rumored Loss of a Transport.

Brest, France. Nov. 11.—Rumors are ish near Belmont in which Colonel Falcipitate retirement of the Boers. in circulation here that a British transconer was killed, three other officers "At 6.15 p.m. the enemy opene port has foundered off the Island of wounded is far from clear. It is not one piece of artillery from the Otto's Ushant, on the coast of Brittany.

and Kimberley

missing. It is supposed he was captur- Boers Are Now Bombarding General White's Position in

> Sharp Fighting in Cape Colony -Burghe's Suffer Severely -. British Casualties Light.

berley on Nov. 7th did no damage, and seemed to have reached a stage where it is absolutely necessary for the Boers to-day that all the sick and wounded in decide to do this their only alternative the hospital at Wynberg are doing well." is to retire within their lines and strengthen themselves against the im-Barkeley West, Monday, Nov. 6.—A Phat the latter course will be followdispatch received from Kimberley says ed without first making, a determined General Cronie sent a message to Colon- attempt to oust or capture Gen. White el Kekewich calling on him to surrender seems beyond all reason, for the methbefore six in the morning to-day, other- odical isolation of Gen. White's force fully planned and the main object de-

> ed prey without A Desperate Struggle.

Mobile as are the Boers they could scarwhich are at present concentrated about will again hamper him in Ladysmith to any other vulnerable British point without running the risk of encountering superior numbers, which are not entered Alwal North yesterday even- daily pouring northwards. Moreover, Ladysmith would give Gen. White a splendid opportunity of attacking even against overwhelming odds.

He has shown no hesitation in acceptthat twenty-three transports will arrive ed to abandon the siege. in South Africa before November 18th They must also realize that their time is tent himself with pushing to the front every available regiment he can dispose

Hence news telling of General Joubert's complete rout, or General White's bombardment has been to some extent any reverse for British arms, is the pected daily. It is thought that more than likely general engagement believed to be im-

minent will prove to be the Most Serious Encounter

received from Mafeking, undated, says fore General Buller can dispute with him again active. on Monday the Boers shelled the town. the possession of Natal, for while it is One Boer gun, it is added, was knocked perfectly feasible to send reinforcements Hooper, of the Fifth Lancers, shows to be detached from the army corps. ently impossible to assume the offensive possible. were General White no longer a military

There is ro reason, however, to believe Ladysmith has not a good chance to could see a "Long Tom," a forty-poundwithstand the most determined Boer attacks. General White's ability to hold wara, firing at intervals of six to eight has crowned his sorties have done much operation a little distance away. to restore confidence in him. If General Puffs of smoke were discernible on the es to send transports Durban and disembark troops there. General White will only have to wait a fortnight before he is reinforced, or at any rate before the rein-Boer force. But it is impossible to pre-Nearly all authorities while withhold ing definite criticism until fuller information is obtainable, fail to understand

why General White did not · Fall Back South of Tugela.

thus drawing the Boers after him into the arms of General Buller. It is charitably supposed the government of Natal exercised an influence over General White, and it is in no little degree responreconnoitering force from the Orange sible for his gallant, yet from a stragetic point of view, doubtful efforts to hold the Nek of Natal. But even then, man, with a squadron of the Kimberley it is admitted that no general has been Light Horse, was hiding in the bush, exonorated in history merely because he Fusiliers, Colonel C. B. Keith-Falconer allowed his actions to be hampered by The Boers retired firing, Col. Turner killed; Lieutenants A. Bevan and C. H. a civil government, to which he was not reinforced Major Peakman, and at 12.40 Hall wounded. In the North Lancashire directly responsible. Naturally there is p.m. great discussion on these points.

The official feeling is that Ladysmith not in as great peril, as last week, which emanates from the partially, renewed confidence in General White and lack of bad news.

This applies equally to Mafeking, Kimnounced that the troopships Yorkshire, berley and other points. The popular Lismore Castle and Aurania have arriv- impression is now that Ladysmith will It is learned by the Associated Press that one of the most

Remarkable Innovations

in warfare will shortly be tested in South Africa. Lieut. Folkes, a young officer of the Engineers, sailed for Capetown on the Boers caried off six dead from one October 11th to put photography to spot, probably killed by our Maxim, uses hitherto considered impracticable, which if successful will revolutionize the heavy, but had not been estimated by methods of military reconnaissance, Col. Kekewich. Briefly Folkes's proposition is to indi-cate the exact position and formation of again in contact with a new body of the the Boers by means of the telephoty re-enemy on Schnest Drift, road. From the cords. He takes out an equipment of couning tower his own invention and is attached to

General Buller's staff. The principal item of news from Cape Colony is the opening of the bombardment of Kimberley on Tuesday by Free and others held a walled enclosure on State artillery which proved, according to an official statement, ineffective. The Boer investment of the town, however,

s said to be tightening. the report of the Free State troops Advancing on the North

to complete the developments in this dis-An official dispatch recording a skirm- have been severe, judging from the pre-

merely endeavoring to ascertain the age." number of Boers, It is considered somewhat remarkable that four out of explanation.

SHOWER BOYS BUSINESS I LAND

VICTORIA TIMES. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 1899.

The war office has received this Dispatch from Gen. Buller,

ander date of Capetown, Nov. 11th: "With reference to my telegram of the 10th, Col. Geough with two squadrons of the Tenth Hussars, battery of field artillery and one and a half company Mounted Infantry found about 700 of the enemy with one gun in position about nine miles west of Belmont, He engaged the enemy with his artillery and the Mounted Infantry to the er. The losses reported yesterday occurred during this operation. Col. Geough engaged the enemy for about three hours London, Nov. 11.-It is claimed by and then returned to camp, The death of Lieut. Wood has just been reported.'

A BIG BOMBARDMENT.

Naval Guns Again Active. very effective, it is beginning to be prov- lice. of resistance, it is thought scarcely likely that they would give up their expect-General Joubert's force might have cattle and donkeys." been in Pietermaritzburg

Un'ess the Boer heavy artillery justi-

The Eventual Retreat from Natal, when General Buller sends the relieving force. It is believed that respondent of the Tribune says:

it has been ascertained that the British sive until a relief column can be sent short, for in the present emergency it have laid concrete beds for firing the lydis believed General Buller will not wait dite naval guns, showing that there is to organize an army corps, but will conno foundation for the fear that lyddite ammunition at Ladysmith has been exhausted. It is also reported from the same quarter that some fires have been seen in Ladysmith, indicating the Boer in South Africa and is not in dread of effective.

The Bombardment.

firing is now proceeding in the direction war during the last twenty-four hours of the war. If wictory lies with General any previously heard as to leady to the ley from two points, and that they were Joubert it will be a month or more be belief that the British naval guns are massing their forces in defensive posi-

to General White, it would be appar- that communication with the gargison is

Estcourt, afternoon.-A party, shich rode out several miles about noon to observe the bombardment of Ladysmitic er, posted on the railway of the Bul- cult it will be to relieve the garrison

opposite side, showing that Ladysmith men, arrived at Capetown yesterday, to convict the Boers of wilful inhumanwas withstanding a big bombardment. The locality of the town was nothing but a surging caldron of smoke.

Boers Forced to Retire After Suffering be speedily relieved, and that Gen. Bul-Severe Losses. London, Nov. 12.-Sir Redvers Buller

elegraphed as follows to the war office from Capetown yesterday: "Col. Kekewich (British commander at Kimberley) reports that the enemy were very active on November 4th, principally with the object of driving off cattle. The

Orange Free State troops retired rapidy before Col. Turner, without firing. "At 12.30 p.m. the Transvaal troops advanced on Kimberley. Major Peak-, weeks before Lord Methuen's division of

The Enemy Opened Fire with one piece of artillery at nearly

4.000 yards. "Two guns of the Diamond Feld Artillery were then sent in support of Col. Turner, but the enemy's guns had ceased firing after the fifth round. Consequently, our guns did not come into action. The enemy's artillery fire was not damiging, and his shooting was bad.

"Our casualities in the Kenilworth engagement were limited to Major Alf. of the Cape Police, who was wounded in the neck. He is expected to recover. "Later in the day, our pickets say, 'The total Boer loss was probably

"About 5.30 p.m. Col. Turner was

A Large Number could be plainly seen about two miles to the north of the Kimberley reservoir their own right flank.

"Colonel Turner opened with a Maxim and two guns of the Diamond Field Artillery in support. He came to action Advices from Orange River confirm at 5.47 p.m., and continued firing until

"Our further casualties there were: Private Tubbe, of the Cape Police, who Ottawn. Nov. 11.—Mr. Chamberlain of Cape Colony, but owing to the retire was hot through the head and who died Ottawa. Nov. 11.—Mr. Champerian ment of the British forces from the boron arrival at the hospital; and Sergt. derland, no serious collision has yet oc Watermadge, of the Kimberley division of the Cape Police, who was wounded, The coming week, however, is certain but is doing well.

"Col, Kekewich is unable to estimate the enemy's losses, but believes it must. "At 6.15 p.m. the enemy opened with

preparing for a British advance or was Police. The enemy indicted no dam- 10,000 men is ready to advance from manning and operating it, while current Estcourt.

Another Account. Capetown, Nov. 11 .- A dispatch, un-

town, November 4th (morning) is as fol-"In vesterday's fight the Boers made. their appearance near Carter's Farm.

The British opened fire with a Maxim, the enemy replying with the rifles. By ships. mistake our fire went down into valley, killing a member of the Cape Police and wounding another "The British finally retired on the re-

servoir, where two guns more brought up to shell the Boers. The result is not yet known. "Meanwhile, some Boers had occupied enemy's left flank to discover their laag- Kamper's Dam, firing with one gun on Otto's Kopie, but not getting the range

they did no damage. It is believed that

six Boers were killed in the first fight. "The Boers now Surround Kimberley

in great numbers and are bent on "lift-"General Buller wires from Capetown to deliver a telling stroke. Unless they be in Progress at Ladymith—British ing" cattle and harassing the British.

Navel Guns Again Active. "New alarm signals were sounded at 10 o'clock this morning, the enemy hav London, Nov. 13.—Latest news from ing been observed in greater numbers with two squadrons of the Ninth Lanc-Ladysmith is dated Nov. 9th, While no- and closer to our outposts. They fired ers and a field battery on the left wing, thing adverse is heard from this point, on a patrol under Major Peakman, who with one and one-half companies of and confidence is felt in General White's engaged them, but the fight was at long mounted infantry on the right wing, and ability, previous experience having range. The only casualty was the with artillery in the middle of the platthat the Boer artillery is not wounding of Major Alff, of the Cape Po- eau, with infantry fire.

> any compensating advantage. On the Felshead's Farm, at Kenilworth. They be contrary, the reverse is the case. It is did no damage and retired. Later they held that if the Boers had not been fired on a number of convicts who were handicapped by the transport of heavy working near the sanitarium, and evenguns and their rescue from tight places, turally went off with a large number of

WILL BE SPEEDILY RELIEVED. ported that a Boer force from Smath- Mobile as are the Boers they could scar- field has crossed the frontier at Bethu- cely transfer the body of their forces fies itself by reducing Ladysmith, it Reinforcements Are Now on Their Way to the Besieged Garrisons.

New York, Nov. 12.-The London cor-

the Boer retreat will be made over the "I can state positively that Lord any weakening of the Boer force at Drakenberg range into the Scoutpans- Wolseley is not anxious respecting the borg district, where every preparation condition of affairs in South Africa, but for provisioning and maintaining the most confident that the worst is over, Boers is said to have been made for the and that Ladysmith will hold out until last stand, where it will be difficult to reinforcements enable Gen. White to ing every opening for assuming the offensive. The Boers must know just as that they are in straits for food around but not since the troopships began to well as the British military authorities | Ladysmith, and may therefore be oblig- arrive at Capetown. He can be quoted According to dispatches from Estcourt to keep still and remain on the defensucceeded in holding back the Boers from Lower Natal. A practical proof that Lord Wolselev is

Satisfied With the Outlook

fact that he has gone out of London over Sunday.

of Ladysmith. It began at daybreak. has indicated that the Dutch allies were Some reports are so much heavier than making a determined attack on Kimbertions south of Ladysmith, in order to The arrival from Ladysmith of Lieut. block the progress of the relief column

"It is evident that the feeling of overconfidence prevailing in Kimberley is not shared by Gen. Buller, for he has ordered a reconnoitering force from De Aur to feel the enemy and find out how diffi-This force had a brisk skirmish on Frihis own until now and the success which minutes. Another gun was observed in day with Free State troops about 70 miles or so from Kimberley.

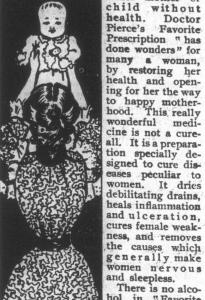
"Four troopships, conveying over 4,700 and two of them, with 2,000 troops, were sity and gross violation of the laws of Dispatched for Durban.

If the Aurania, as reported, has landed forcements create a diversion of , the FIGHTING AROUND KIMBERLEY. 1,650 men at Capetown, it is a sign that Kimberley, as well as Ladysmith, will ler is determined to avert a possible reverse on the western border.

"The best informed military writers are not disposed to believe that the British garrisons at De Aar and Orange steamer Sardinian, from Quebec, with River Junction will be strongly reinforced until Natal is cleared of the en-

"Each transport will require three days to make the distance from Capetown to Durban, and it will be fully two

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Use Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets with known whether Colonel Falconer was Kopje, the latter being held by the Cape are inactive or irregular.

sert that he is not only secure against monthly outlay. More than £14,000 has six casualties should have happened to officers, and this is thought to need some Kimberley by dispatch riders via Hope- erations, but he also serves a useful purpose in holding back the Boer forces British garrisons cannot now exceed surgeons and five trained nurses who 5,000 men, even with the naval brigade will serve on the hospital ship Maine,

> SKIRMISHES NEAR BELMONT. Seven Hundred Boers Hold a Position in the Hills."

cial dispatch dated Capetown, Sunday

"Col. Gough, at Orange River, reports the field. that during the reconnaissance of fifteen miles to a point nine miles west of Belmules to a point line lines were of the Mr. G. W. Steevens Tells of the Bride taken upon a great semi-circular ridge, standing out into a plateau.

"They endeavored to make the Boers

"The enemy began by firing at our ed that the acquisition of artillery which "The enemy lifted forty cattle north cavalry from a gun at the north end. has destroyed the former mobility of the west of the sanitarium, subsequently fir. As the cavalry, in open order, began to Boer forces has also failed to give them ing eight shells in the neighborhood of circle around them, the hills seemed to

Full of Sharpshooters. "The mounted infantry endeavored to

and unexpected fire from a few skirm-"Our guns fired several apparently effective shots, but the enemy did not respond, having withdrawn with the wounded. The enemy did not fire on an ambulance.

"Col. Gough withdrew his force after a demonstration lasting three hours, and returned to camp the same afternoon near Orange River. The wounded were sent to Orange River by rail immediately after the action.

"The enemy's strength appeared considerable, apparently 700, with one gun, under David Lubb and P. Van der Merwe.

Boer Treachery.

London, Nov. 12.-In discussing the reported acts of treachery on the part of the Boers, the Westminster Gazette's military correspondent says:

"When an act which must necessarily brand the perpetrator with infamy is deliberately committed, with no possible excuse of hot blood or turmoil and confusion of a great battle, we are entitled to assume that such obloquy would not Estcourt, Thursday, Nov. 9.-Heavy "The news received from the seat of great and immediate advantage. What possible advantage could the Boers gain from the destruction by artillery fire of a number of refugees whom they had just handed over to our charge, doubt- slightly; the less with the object of embarrassing White with a number of additional

mouths to feed? "It must also be remembered that these Boer guns-for it is certain that the outrage was committed by guns and not by riflemen-are mounted at a great distance, probably some three or four miles, from our pickets. Do not all these circumstances point to the fact that the shots were fired through a misunderstanding, such as might equally well have occurred on our side? So that without further evidence, we ought not

Lieut.-Col. Sir Wolfe Barry, of the mediately began to shell. Engineer and Railway Volunteer Staff Corps, says: "In military matters Great our battery with two field guns. Britain is trading with insufficient capi-The first shell burst right under a gun harmlessly, but soon after an amtal. She ought to add 100,000 men to her army."

Sardinian at St. Vincent.

London, Nov. 12.-The Allan Line the Canadian contingent for South Africa, has arrived at St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands.

War Notes According to a Pretoria dispatch datd November 7th, the Rose Deep and Fereiera Deep, with ten other mines, are

working. White and black labor is plentiful, and the mint is busy coining gold. Strong bids are being made by the Boers for the support of the Cape Dutch, but without much success. Captain Percy Scott of the first-class protected cruiser Terrible has been apof Major Bethune, who will assume ac-

tive command of the Mounted Uitlanders corps. A dispatch from Capetown says: "The wounded are recovering in a remarkable manner. The Mauser wounds are small and heal quickly. Many of the wounded are applying for permission to return to the front.'

The reports that it was Gen. Buller who ordered the British evacuation of Stormberg and Maaulpoort are confirmed. He considered the frontier line too weak and too much extended. It is understood, however, that Maaulpoort will e occupied again as soon as the advance from Queenstown is ordered. At a recent meeting in East Mayo,

Ireland, presided over by Michael Da-

vitt, the following resolution was adopt-

"Resolved, that we canot refrain from expressing our approval of the conduct of some thousand British mules in the neighborhood of Ladysmith, nor express the sincere hope that some fitting testimonial be made to the common sense of these intelligent animals, in following the example of British soldiers in run ning into the camp of the victorious

Notices have been sent throughout North Cork calling upon the people to 'remember 1799, and prevent enlisting in the British army, which is treason to Ireland.

Boers."

A cable to the Tribune from London says: "The American scheme for equipping a hospital ship for the wounded soldiers and distressed refugees has commanded admiration and respect and has been carried out with great spirit and practical skill. The Atlantic Trans-"Favorite Prescription" if the bowels, port Line has not only provided a ship, but has also assumed full expense

rates for chartering vessels for service Steourt.

"Gen. White's friends in London as- in South African waters involve a great

been contributed by Americans.' The Atlantic Line transport Mesaha. which sailed from New York on Saturfrom raiding Lower Natal, where the day, had among her passengers three from the cruiser Terrible and other which the Association of America. Ladies in London is sending out to South Africa. About thirty more will follow next week.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, secretary of state for war, has written a letter to Miss Ward, M.D., who volunteered to go London, Nov. 13.—The following offi- to South Africa as a physician, in which he says that, while he appreciates her ofwas issued by the war office this morn- fer, he is not prepared at present to allow women doctors to join the force in

THE STORY OF ELANDSDAAGTE ant Victory-How the Gordons

Fought and Fell. The London Daily Mail on October develop their strength by demonstrating . 24th published the following dispartch from its war correspondent, Mr. G. W. Steevens.

Ladysmith, Oct. 22, 5.45 p.m.-An early morning inspection of the battle-field at Elandslaagte showed that the British success was not merely brilliant

but complete. It will also be productive, inasmuch as the Boer force which was engaged, representing as it did the Johannesburg commando and contingents from Standerton and Vrede, may be considered out of action for the remainder of the war This result was mainly achieved by outflank the enemy's left, in order to dis- the masterly handling of our cavalry, cover the laager, coming under a heavy which first checkmated favorite Boor tactics by clearing the enemy off our flank, and at the moment when the main infantry attack succeeded turned the enemy's left, cut off their retreat and charged through and through the flying Boers till either

They Were Destroyed

or utterly dispersed. The Boer force has been variously estimated by the prisoners we have in camp.

I have been told 400 and 4.000, and anything between the two, but a likely estimate is that the enemy ranged in numbers from 1,200 to 2,000. Of these, their own doctor has told me he attended over 100 wounded, while many still remained uncared for. The Boer killed were not so many, but

probably totalled 100, while we took over fifty prisoners-or altogether a total Boer loss of 300, including their general, Koch, who was wounded and taken prisoner, and three field cornets, who were also wounded. The Boer guns, wagons, ammunition, transport and stores were all taken.

Our loss was also heavy, especially among the Gordons, who attacked the steep stony kopje on the right; the Manchesters in the centre and the Devons on the left having slightly easier ground. The Gordons had the majority of their officers wounded more or less

Men Suffered Heavily. one company only twenty being left after the fight.

Our total casualties will perhaps total 200, but the moral effect of the victory can, I think, hardly be over-estimated As for the battle itself, it was like a practical illustration of handbook tactics, each arm represented doing its proper work, and doing it to perfection. It began with General French, the Imperial Light Horse and the Natal Vol-

road to within sight of Elandslaagte railway station, which the volunteers im-Meanwhile the Boers opened fire on

unteer Artillery making a reconnais-

sance fifteen miles along

munition wagon was disabled and abandoned. We were then at a range of 4,000 yards, at which the seven-pounder Volunteer guns were as effective as peashooters.

Our force then retired seven miles to Modder Spruit station, accompanied by an armored train, which had also attempted a reconnaissance, but had been repulsed by the shell fire of the enemy. The Armored Train consisted of an engine, with a plated

loopholed cattle-truck before and behind, all painted a dull grey, with an open truck mounting a Maxim at the Now arrived two trains from Ladysmith conveying four companies apiece pointed commander at Durban, in place of the Manchester and Devon regiments, but nothing further was done until near ly two o'clock in the afternoon, when the advance was cautiously resumed

> Spruit run northeasterly along a broad valley bounded by tiers of hills. The long dull drab cavalry columns the 5th Dragoon Guards and the 42nd Field Battery, which had been moved to reinforce the squadrons, pushed for

The road and railway from Modder



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