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The Bayonet

Yorkshires and New Zealanders Repulse Boer Attack Near Rensburg.

The Burghers Lost Twenty-One Killed and About Fifty

Methuen and French Shell the Enemy's Positions-No News From Natal.

(Associated Press,)

London, Jan. 16 .- 2:50 p.m. - The complans shall have been executed or have

From the other columns there is little news of moment.

Shelling Boer Positions.

Modder River advices of yesterday's date only report daily long range shelling from which the Boers are supposed to have suffered severely.

British at Molteno.

Monday, 15th, reports that Gen. Gatacre's troops made a demonstration beyou Molteno in the direction of Stormberg in the belief that the Boers inten. seize Molteno. The burghers were no, sighted and the British remained at Molteno.

Arrivals from Stormberg estimate that there were 4,500 Boers at that place, mostly revolted colonists and Free Staters. President Steyn's brother is

Gen. French continues to shell Boer positions, but nothing decisive has tak-

Wiil Methuen be Recalled?

Evidence accumulates that General Methuen has lost the confidence of his entire force to such an extent that it is declared it is doubtful if the troops would follow him in another attack on the Boers.

The war office is understood to be in possession of a letter written by Gen. Wauchope the night before the battle, saying it would be the last letter he would ever write. He had been asked to perform an impossible task, and he either had to obey or surrender his

An immediate change in the command of the force may therefore be expected. It is anticipated in some quarters that Lieut.-Gen. Tucker will succeed Gen. Methuen.

BOERS REPULSED

-0-By Yorkshires and New Zealanders in Cape Colony-The Burghers' Losses. ---

Renshurg, Cape Colony, Jan. 15 .- The Boers this morning attempted to rush a hill held by a company of Yorkshires and New Zealanders, but were repulsed at the point of the bayonet." The Boers had 21 men killed and

about 50 wounded. \_\_\_\_

DUM DUM BULLETS

-0-Found on Wounded Boers Near Ladysmith-Burghers Fire on Troops Digging Graves.

Ladysmith, Jan. 8.—By messenger to Weenen, Jan. 16 .- A representative of the Associated Press visited Saturday's battlefield this morning and saw large

numbers of Boers dead. The British guns seem to have worked great havoc. One Boer was completely disemboweled and had his head shot off and a couple of others were killed by the same shell, evidently while taking their luncheon, as half-eaten hard

boiled eggs lay beside them. Some Natal Dutchmen were recognized among the dead.

A number of bodies of Boers and carcases of horses have been washed down in the Tombspruit, which became a raging torrent during a heavy thunder

The British while digging graves were fired on by Boer artillery and several of from Sterkstroom. them hit. Soft nosed bullets and dum-

dum cartridges have been found wounded prisoners.

the hill and handed the bodies over to their comrades at the bottom. Over ninety were thus carried off Wagon Hill alone.

FROM PRETORIA.

A Boer Report Says the 'Attack' on Ladysmith Was Disastrous to the British.

the British fort eastward was demolish-Advices from the head laager at Lady-

smith reports that the attack on that to be in sore straits.

With Gen. Buller.

(Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 16 .- J. G. Maclaren, plete absence of news from Natal up to eldest son of David Maclaren, the well his hour proves that the censorship will known Ottawa valley lumberman and, defeat the enemy, and not run splendid, allow nothing to pass until Gen. Buller's capitalist, was at Johannesburg when | but useless, risks." the war broke out. Maclaren, who is only 23 years of age, instead of returnto take a hand in the fighting and he is said to have been received by Mr. Ruthernow known as Trooper Maclaren of Bethuen's mounted infantry, which is with Gen. Buller at the Tugela.

Canadian Officers Entertained. Quebec, Jan. 16.-At a banquet tendered the officers of the Canadian South Afriean contingent by the Garrison Club last night, His Honor Lieut.-Governor Jette delivered a speech in which he declared that the fidelity of French-Cana-A dispatch from Sterkstroom dated dians to Great Britain was unbounded, asserting that no influence could shake their loyalty to the British flag.

Patriotic Fund. Ottawa, Jan. 1.-The Canadian Pacific Railway has subscribed \$15,000 to the Canadian Patriotic Fund, A cheque for \$15,000 has been received from the Grand Trunk Railway Company. This makes a total of \$30,000 from Canada's two big railways.

SUPPLIES FOR BOERS. Guns and Ammunition are Being Shipped From New York.

New York, Jan. 16.-Gun and amm nition houses in New York are tursly supplying stocks for shipment to South Africa, and the goods are designed for Boers, says the Times. That they are packed in cases marked "groceries," canned goods," "flour," or "molasses," does not suggest to them that they are intended for the use of the Boers, but just the same that is the ultimate destination of these packages.

Where Liberty is Found.

Chicago, Jan. 16 .- Bishop Chas. N. Fowler, of Buffalo, N.Y., speaking last night at the tenth annual banquet of the Sons of New York, said "The Anglo-Saxon race moves and governs a goodly part of the world, even though it has been the butcher, the robber, and the pirate, but Saxons have never robbed a people without the victims being gainers, and there are no such liberties as under the Union Jack and Stars and Stripes.

Attacks on War Office. New York, Jan. 16 .- The attacks on the war office and information bureau have been renewed, says the London correspondent of the World, and the newspapers now say that experts in the war office here are operating with a large scale map of Northern Natal, printed upon seventy sheets, borrowed from the German war department after the situation about Glencoe and Ladysmith became critical.

London, Jan. 15 .- The following dispatch dated Durban, Jan. 13th, appears in the

Standard: "A man who has just arrived here from Springfield says that a British column proceeding to the relief of Ladysmith has , Boer trenches.

"He also says that 270 wagons laden with commissariat stores for Ladysmith had left Frere, and it was expected that the column would toin hands with Gen White on Monday morning.

"The traction engines have been doing excellent work in hauling heavy wagons out of holes and swamps. This they accomplished with the greatest of ease. "The British patrols have discovered parof Boers in the direction of Ennersdale, between Frere and Estcourt."

The Fight at Ladysmith. The Daily Telegraph correspondent at letermaritzburg, telegraphing on January

"The gallautry of the Ladysmith garrison last Saturday appears to have depressed, 'I not actually demoralized, the Boers generally. It is expected that they lost at least two, if not three, killed as against our one."

Has Warren Crossed the Tugela? London, Jan. 15 .- The officials are inclined to credit the report that the British have crossed the Tugela river, although there is no confirmation of the report, Altogether there is more hopeful feeling in official circles.

Boers Rented. General French's forces have succeeded n dragging a fifteen pounder to the summit of the steep rocky Coleskof, a thousand feet above the surrounding plain, and on Jan. 12th they successfully routed a Boer camp on the plain three miles away

An interesting item of news is that 300 attack by January 17th the Free Staters Boers, escorting a party of reapers, have would return home.

two miles of the colonial camp at Bird's Still Waiting Volunteers carried the Boer dead off to interfere. \*Bombarding Mafeking.

A dispatch from Pretoria says the Federal forces recommenced the hombardmen of Mafeking during the morning of Jan.

A South African Contingent.

A partial development of the movement referred to in these dispatches on Jan. 12th, though by no means the main objective hinted at, can be recorded to-day, in the formation of a strong committee of South Africans and ex-officials, with Lord Loch, the former governor of Cape Colony Pretoria, Jan. 13.-As a result of the and Br.tish high commissioner, as presibombardment of Mafeking yesterday, dent. The object is the remedying of the defects of the war office. When the war

of South Africans, acquainted with topography of the country and the Dutch and Kaffir languages, the committee insisted that they must choose their own officers. The war office demurred, but place on January 6th was disastrous to finally yielded. Consequently prominent the British, and that Ladysmith appears South Africans, crack shots and acquainted with every stream and kopje, are flocking to join the contingent. As a prominent enlisted man said: "We are not going to fight for promotion or the

The war office has no information to ening to Canada, thought he would like able it to confirm or deny the dispatch ford Harris, announcing that Gen. Buller had met with a reverse

Victoria Cross, we simply want to meet

the Boers on their ground and according

to their own methods. Our object is to

A Boer Report. Boer Headquarters, Outside Ladysmith, Jan. 9 .- The Boers occupying the southern adges of Bester's Kop were driven out by the British on Saturday.

Commandant Nel on the west of the town, and the Pretoria commando on the north, have taken the kopjes commanding Caesar's Camp, from which they maintain a continuous sniping of the British. The Pretoria commando lost six men killed and six wounded in attempting to The country is grateful to learn that storm the fort.

COLONIALS AT WORK. Australians and New Zealanders Beat the Boers at Their Own Game-The Canadians.

London, Jan. 15.-It is announced in a dispatch from Capetown that advices have been received there from Colesburg, dated to Gen. French. Friday, Jan. 12th, saying Col. Porter, with the mounted New Zealanders and the New South Wales Lancers, was worrying the Roers from kopje to kopje by plucky hazpletely nonplussing the burghers. A party 16th, evening:

pickets, entered Norval's Pont and secured valuable information. Anxious to Co Forward. Toronto, Jan. 15.-Capt. Barker, who commanded the Toronto company in the recent fight, writes his parents from Belmont, December 9th, telling of the scenes of a previous battle. He says: "Our chaps

of Remington's scouts eluded the Boer

now all look dirty, sunburnt, but fine, and there is no sickness. 'The khaki cloth'ng is the color of the African sand, and nearly all the men have heards. They are get ting over auxious to go forward and

London, Jan. 15.-The Mail's special says: "Col. Pilcher, with the Canadians and Queenslanders, moved on Jan. 7th from Belmont south, on Gen. Babington's line of march." Dispatch From Lord Roberts.

London, Jan. 16 .- The war office has published the following d'spatch from Lord Roberts, dated Capetown, January 15th, 6:20 p. m.: "French reports that a reconnaissance yesterday (Sunday) shelled the Colesburg road bridge. No casualties; returned to-

"Methuen and Gatacre no change." KRUGER'S PROCLAMATION.

All Burghers Ordered to the Front-Com-

mandeering Proceeding at Pretoria. London, Jan. 15 .- A Daily Mail dispatch dated Lorenzo Marquez, Jan. 13th, says:

President Kruger has issued a proclamation ordering all burghers to the front. The Volkssem, the Transvaai official organ. suggests that the moment the British cross the border the gold industry should be irretrievably destroyed.

President Kruger also issued a circular rossed the little Tugela. When he left dated January 8th to Boer commandants the steamer will be released to-day or ment for the Transvaal, including six guns it was feeling the Boer position on big and burghers, urging them to show more to-morrow, and measures taken to pre-Tugela, and a howitzer was shelling the Posting the Transvaal cause. He quotes Psalm xxx., verse 7, as evidence that God had given instructions to the burghers, and says that the British have fixed their faith in Psaim lxxxiii. He also quotes Psalm lxxxix., verses 13 and 14, and asserts that he has searched the Bible with out heing able to find any other mode which can be followed by the Boers, who must fight in the name of the Lord. Commandeering is proceeding busily at Pretoria, where the town guard are ex hanging their Mausers for Martinis, as the former are badly needed at the front. It is said that there are nearly 3,000 I'ritsh prisoners at Pretoria.

SITUATION ON MODDER RIVER. An Artillery Duel-Strengthening the British Entrenchments-Free Staters Tired of War.

he first time in several days. The British entrenchments are being coninually strengthened and extended, Heavy rains have fallen recently, and the same place. fords of Reit river are all impassable.

It is reported that it will be necessary to relay the rails almost the entire distance from Modder River to Kimberley, the Boers having used the rails and sleepers in building their fortifications. Stories still reach camp that the Free Staters desire to end the war. The latest is that a council was held recently at Bloemfontein, at which President Stevn and Gen. Cronje were present. It was then

stated that unless the British began the

for News

War Office Has No Information eral Buller is engaging the enemy. Regarding Buller's Operations Near Springfield.

British Lost Six Men Killed and Five Wounded in the Rensburg Fight.

(Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 17, 2.30 p.m.-Public

anxiety regarding the advance on Ladysmith remains unchanged. The vague rumors that a general engagement is progressing are based solely on the belief that Gen. Buller's arrangements to advance would be completed on Monday or Tuesday at the latest.

The war office this afternoon posted this notice: "The following telegram is the only news which has been received in regard to Gen. Buller's operations near Springfield." The telegram then proceeds to report the death of a private from dysentery at Springfield Camp on January 13th, and the wounding of another private in a reconnaissance towards the Tugela River on Jan. 15th.

Gen. French's success, though consol ing, is recognized as only a side issue. the British losses in this engagement were only 6 men killed and 5 wounded.

French's Success.

The news that two transports with troops have been ordered from Capetown stantial reinforcements are on their way

Dispatch from General Roberts. London, Jan. 17.-The war office has received the following dispatch from the heads of certain men in England and when he overbalanced himself, falling The colonials, it was added were const. Lord Roberts, dated Capetown, Jan. I shall denounce you and your complicity fire station. The victim died in the

termined attack on French's advance rifles and a detachment of the First

"The Boers were repulsed, having 20

not dess than 50. "The attack was perceded by a long range fire from one gun.

"Otherwise the situation is unchang-

Gun Silenced.

Rensberg, Cape Colony, Jan. 16.—The Boers opened an artiflery due, this morning, using a captured British fifteen pounder, which was ultimately silenced. The British kept up a searching fire all day long on the Boer kopjes, and also dragged up another gun to the summit of Coleskop.

Bundesrath to be Released. Hamburg, Jan. 17.-A cablegram resays all the cargo of that steamer has with the manifest. The prize court has

not yet rendered a decision. Benlin, Jan. 17.-The foreign office officials have informed the Associated Schnelder Company is not only working Press representative that Great Britain | night and day in the manufacture of guns admits no contraband of war was found on the Bundesrath, and promises that much has already been packed for shipvent a recurrence of similar incidents.

Resolution of Sympathy. pelled by objection to lay it over until Monday night.

THE SECOND CONTINGENT. Quebec Volunteers Leave for Halifax-A Trooper's Marriage,

Quebec, Jan. 17.—Quebec's send off to "E" battery and "A" squadron, mounted rifles of the second contingent, last night, was a most enthusiastic one, forty thousand citizens lining the streets to do homage to their departing sons. Each of the Modder River, Tuesday, January 16 .- Quebec members of the contingents was wishes to raise, and still has twenty thou-There was a brisk exchange of shells this presented with a sealskin tobacco pouch, norning, the Roers returning our fire for the gift of the Huron Indians of Loretto. Before entraining for Halifax Trooper Adam Hall, of Peterboro, was wedded to Miss Edith Hartley, of the

> Patriotic Fund. Ottawa, Jan. 17.-The Canadian Pariotic Fund has reached close to the \$50,000 mark, the amount being \$49,-

Ministers Start for Halifax. Ottawa, Ont., Jan. 17.-Messrs. Fieldng, Borden and Sutherland, and Sir H. Joly left to-day for Halifax, where they will inspect and participate in the send-

735.66.

sailing by the Laurentian on Saturday

London, Jan. 16.-The following dispatch dated Pietermaritzburg, Jan. 16th, has been received by the Exchange Telegraph "There is no news from the front, but

neavy firing was heard to-day in the direction of Frere. It is probable that Gen-"A rumor is current here that a portion of the British force is near Ladysmith." London, Jan. 17.—The Times publishes

the following from Pietermaritzburg, dat-ed Tuesday: "Very heavy artillery firing was heard yesterday in the direction of Springfield." A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Piet.

was very heavy firing in the north yester-day. I believe the licers are contesting General Buller's passage of the Tugela Howitzers were evidently husy, as the firing is described as the heaviest heard in

KRUGER PREPARING TO ESCAPE. Arrangements at Delagon Pay.

Damardand in the event of the capture of

THE JAMESON RAID. With President Kruger.

dent Kruger said:

"Do you mean to tell me that you don't know that the mea who organized and engineered the raid organized it for their own benefit? They had decided how they would divide the Transvaal, how each of the parties was to have certain interests in this country. Many reformers were put in gaol who were perfectly innocent. They were ignorant of the schemes of the men in the inner circles. There were only to Port Elizabeth indicates that sub- twelve men in that inner circle, and they were to divide the Transvaal among themselves.

"On the 15th the Boers made a de At this stage, according to Mr. Robinson. post held by the New Zealand mounted stopped to listen to the conversation. Mr. Kruger then said: "And now you are renenstrating with me about arming. It is true I am arming, and it is because I see clearly that I must defend my country." To this Mr. Robinson replied "The Britmen killed. Their wounded estimated ish public is aroused. If any attempt were made again to enter this country, there would be a great outcry in England, and the Imperial authorities would take steps

such free-booting expeditions." President Kruger approached Mr. Robinson, placed a hand over his shoulder, made with \$602,858 in 1898. a violent effort to suppress his excitement, and said: "You mean well, but I have lost all confidence. What has happened would take place again, and I am determined to

guard against it."

The correspondent of the London Times at Lorenzo Marquez, telegraphing Monday, Jan. 15th, says: "I am informed on the best authority that six days ago Mafeking was holding out as pluckily as ever. The garrison had plenty of cattle, and canned

The entire special service squadron is going to South African waters when received by the owners of the Bundesrath lieved at Gibraltar by the Channel squadron. A portion of it will be detailed to convey the new Naval brigade being formbeen discharged, and entirely agrees ed for service at the front in Cape Colony. The London Daily Mail publishes the following from a special correspondent at La Creusot. France: "After two days' inquiry, I do not hesitate to assert that the and ammunition for the Boers, but that

Bradley, of Erie, attempted in the come station commandant. He is now inprisoner, charged with rebellion.

installed in the hotel. The war office has issued orders for the ormation of five new hatteries. Severteen more militia battalions will be embodied in the course of a fortnight. All the regulars are now out of the country. except fourteen infantry battalions and

nounces that it has accepted three thousand out of the ten thousand which it sand applications to be examined. The war office has wired to countermand the departure from Egypt of a number of officers who were previously ordered to South Africa. The London Daily Chronicle ommenting upon this and other news related to it says: "There are some curiou reports in circulation, apparently with me anthority behind them, which point to the stoppage of the dispatch of further reinforcements when the troops now mobillzed shall have embarked. The new cavalry brigade is not to leave England at

> DUKE OF ARGYLE ILL. (Associated Press.)

ermaritzburg, dated Tuesday, says: "There

His Sou-in-Law Reported to Be Making

London, Jan. 17.—The Durban correspondent of the Standard prints a story with reference to the journey of President Kruger's son-in-law, Eloff, to Delagoa Bay in a German warship. According to this Lloft has been making arrangements for I'resident Kruger's escape through German

J. B. Robinson 'Fells of Interviews

London, Jan. 16.-In a signed article in the Daily News this morning, Mr. J. B. Robinson, the South African millionaire relates a conversation he had with President Kruger, and describes several interviews in which the Jameson raid was talked over. On one of these occasions Presi-

noney for the raid. Do you think we are so innocent as not to know that Rhodes, metaphorically speaking, held a pistol at in the raid."

to punish the organizers and to prevent

The special correspondent of the Toronto Globe, writing from Belmont, December 10th, says: "One result of the departure of Albany, N.Y., Jan. 17.-Assemblyman the Munsters is that Col. Otter has be-House to-day to offer a resolution of stalled in a little office in the railway sympathy with the Boers, but was com- station, and has his quarters in a forlorn and semi-deserted hotel, whose owner is a Buchan has taken over the command of the regiment, and with his staff is also

> eleven cavalry battalions. The British Yeomanry committee an-

off to members of the second contingent, is seriously ill at Inveraray, Scotland.

## Dawson City

NO. 50.

A Large Portion of the Business Part of the City Burned Down.

Occurred on the Night of Wednesday Last-Suffering Will Follow.

(Special to the Times.) Tacoma, Jan. 16.-A large part of the business portion of Dawson City was ed last Wednesday night. The loss exceeds half a million dollars. according to a brief dispatch received at Skagway late on Wednesday night last. Steamer Farallon, which brings the news,

left Skagway before the details were re-Much suffering must have followed the fire, as the temperature at Dawson was 40 degrees below zero with a wind blowing. To make matters worse the city bad been entirely without its regular water supply for two weeks. The city mains, having been hurriedly put in two years ago, were worn out in places. In consequence, the pumping plant was shut down about Christmas, leaving the city dependent upon its old method of hauling water from the Yukon river.

Between Dec. 1st and 20th, eighteen fires occurred at Dawson, all being caused by overheated flues, Wednesday night's fire was stated to be under control when the steamer left Skagway. No further details of the fire were received by the Danube, officers of that ves

FIRE CAPTAIN'S DEATH.

sel having heard nothing of the conflagra-

(Associated Press.) Montreal, Jan. 16.-Phil. Gibson, cap tain of No. 2 fire station, and an appli cant for the position of assistant fir chief to succeed the late Capt. John Reckingham, fe'l down, the stairs of

the station and broke his neck this morn-Gibson was in the act of pulling off his heavy rubber boots before entering his apartments where his family resided,

ambulance before reaching the hospital MARRIAGES AND DEATHS.

(Associated Press.) Toronto, Jan. 1.—The provincial registrar general's report for 1899 shows the number of deaths in Ontario for the year was 26,370, or 11.5 per cent per thousand, the lowest rate in any other country of the British Empire. There were 293 marriages during the year, the Methodist denomination heading the list with 10,382. The revenue from liquor licenses dur-

ing 1899 amounted to \$587,381, compared

NEGROES ASK PROTECTION. (Associated Press.) Washington, Jan. 16.-With the opening of to-day's session of the Senate, Mr. Cullom (Illinois) presented a petition, hand-somely bound, and signed by 32,000 colored persons, asking for such legislation as shall protect colored men of this country from the "barbarous practice of ynching and

DEATH OF A GUNNER.

(Associated Press.) Kingston, Jan. 16 .- Gunner Waltace, member of "C" battery, died this morning in the general hospital from pneumonia. He was in the barrack's hospital on Sunday night, and while the attendant was asleep got out of bed, which had a bad effect, resulting in his death as stated above.

Jan. 16. Since the 1st inst., nine cases of plague have developed, making 22 Manila, Jan. 16.-Three additional cases of bubonic plague have been re-

Honolulu, Jan. 8, via San Francisco.

THE BUBONIC PLAGUE.

(Associated Press.)

PRACTICING FOR THE SESSION. (Special to the Times.) Ottawa, Jan. 16.-Sir C. Tupper. who reached here last night, says that on his Western trip he made 56 speeches and spoke on an average two hours at

each meeting. He was merely practicing for the coming session. CHARGED WITH CONSPIRACY.

(Associated Press.) Montreal, Jan. 10.-Ferdinand Lemieux and J. J. Herbert this morning pleaded not guity to the charge of conspiracy to defraud the Ville Mar'e

LORD NORTHCOTE.

(Associated Press.)

London, Jan. 16 .- Governor Henry

Stafford Northcote of Bombay, created a peer at the beginning of the year, has assumed the title of Lord Northcote of

QUEBEC LEGISLATURE. (Associated Press.) Quebec, Jan. 16.- The provincial legis-London, Jan. 16.-The Duke of Argyle lature convenes on Thursday next at 3