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PROGRESS OF WAR.

General Methune Is Advancing on Kimberly.

THE BOERS HAVE BEEN REPULSED FROM MAFEKING.

The Situation of Affairs as They Now Exist at Kimberly.

General White Reports a Skirmish at Ladysmith—Opened on the Boers With the Artillery and Drew Them From Cover—Great Enthusiasm Prevails at Cape Town.

SPECIAL TO THE KLONDIKE NUGGET.

London, via Skagway, Nov. 25.—The simultaneous advance of the three British divisions is now in full progress. Gen. Methune is rapidly advancing on Kimberly. It is reported in Capetown that Methune's column has been attacked by the Boers with a few killed and wounded on each side.

FIGHTING REPORTED.

The report that the Boers have been repulsed three times from Mafeking has been brought down to Capetown from Colesburg.

KIMBERLEY SAFE.

The latest advices from Kimberly, said the Boer attack was still pending and that large Boer forces in the neighborhood had destroyed big sections of the railroad line north and south of the town.

Many fugitives from the neighboring villages have been imprisoned by the Boers. Several ladies, hearing their husbands had been captured, visited the Boer camp and were courteously received. Their intercession for their husbands was successful, and the reunited families have arrived at Kimberly. The prisoners report that they were well treated.

SKIRMISH AT LADYSMITH

Gen White sends the following report to the secretary of state for war: Information received yesterday showed that the Boers had established their selves in considerable numbers in an exceedingly good position west of the main road leading from Ladysmith to Dundee.

I also had information that the Dundee force, formerly commanded by Gen. Symons, and since his wound commanded by Gen. Yule, was falling back on Ladysmith by way of Halpma Kaar road, Beith, and the valleys of the Waschbank and Sunday rivers and was expected to reach Sunday River valley Monday.

I therefore moved out a strong force to cover the movement of Yule's command.

The enemy was discovered about seven miles out of Ladysmith in a position of exceptional natural strength west of the road. When he saw that preparations were being made against him, he opened fire with one gun with great accuracy.

Our artillery soon got into position and the gun was silenced. The troops were expected to occupy a strong ridge, parallel to the enemy's position, but nearer the road. I confined my efforts to occupying him and hitting him hard.

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BOER PAUL'S ULTIMATUM.

The war now in progress in the Transvaal was precipitated as the result of an ultimatum sent by President Krueger to Conyngham Greene, the British diplomatic agent at Pretoria.

The ultimatum concluded a long series of negotiations between England and the Transvaal and was delivered on Oct. 9th last.

It is signed by F. W. Reitz, secretary of state, and concludes with the following four demands:

"Her majesty's unlawful intervention in the internal affairs of this republic, in conflict with the London convention of 1884, by the extraordinary strengthening of her troops in the neighborhood of the borders of this republic, has caused an intolerable condition of things to arise, to which this government feels itself obliged, in the interest not only of this republic, but also of all South Africa, to make an end as soon as possible, and this government feels itself called upon and obliged to press earnestly and with emphasis for an immediate termination of this state of things and to request her majesty's government to give assurances upon the following four demands:

"First. That all points of mutual differences be regulated by friendly recourse to arbitration or by whatever amicable way may be agreed upon by this government and her majesty's government.

"Second. That all troops on the borders of this republic shall be instantly withdrawn.

"Third. That all reinforcements of troops which have arrived in South Africa since June 1, 1899, shall be removed from South Africa within a reasonable time, to be agreed upon with this government, and with the mutual assurance and guarantee on the part of this government that no attack or hostilities against any portion of the possessions of the British government shall be made by this republic during the further negotiations within a period of time to be subsequently agreed upon between the governments; and this government will on compliance therewith, be prepared to withdraw the armed burghers of this republic from the borders.

"Fourth. That her majesty's troops, which are now on the high seas, shall not be landed in any part of South Africa."

To these demands is appended the definition of the time limit for a reply:

"This government presses for an immediate and affirmative answer to these four questions and earnestly request her majesty's government to return an answer before or upon Wednesday, Oct. 11, 1899, not later than 5 p. m.

"It desires further to add that in the unexpected event of an answer not satisfactory being received by it within the interval it will with great regret be compelled to regard the action of her majesty's government as a formal declaration of war and will not hold itself responsible for the consequences thereof, and that, in the event of any further movement of troops occurring within the above mentioned time in a nearer direction to our border, this government will be compelled to regard that also as a formal declaration of war."

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It were a pity that the scene at the Palace Grand on Thursday night could not be reduced to canvas. Words can scarcely do it justice, and, besides, a proper account of the affair might be taken for reportorial enthusiasm, when the truth is that the affair on St. Andrew's night, in Dawson, anno domini MDCCCXCIX, was so far superior to anything ever anticipated: was such a brilliant display of dress and beauty; was so excellently and hospitably managed; was attended by such a host of superbly dressed ladies and gentlemen in evening dress as to positively preclude the scribe from overpainting and teaches him the paucity of his vocabulary.

One hundred and eighty couples formed in line at the call for the grand march. Silks and satins predominated for the ladies, many of whom were in decollete evening dress. The hall was magnificently illuminated and decorated with electric lights, gas and bunting. A frontispiece in incandescent electric lights beamed forth these words:

"Ciad mille faite," which being interpreted means "An hundred thousand welcomes." The music was by the military band, which, according to local traditions should have been weak from absence of any violins, was under the leadership of Sergeant McKinnon and proved not only of excellent timber, but the time was marked so prettily as to keep feet agoing long after "the era of cock" in the morning.

The scene was dazzling. Hair dressed "a la mode," beautiful ladies in low neck dress, gentlemen in "swallow tail" evening dress; numerous "He'land" representatives in their native garb the never empty punch bowl lending animation to the conversation and cheer to the glorious occasion. Indeed there was nothing wanting and the "canny Scots" of Dawson have every reason for the justifiable pride and complacency which they exhibit when the affair of St. Andrews is mentioned.

After the maneuvers of the grand march commenced a dancing program of 24 numbers, to which was added no less than 12 extra dances before morning. After every fourth dance came a Scotch song or dance appropriate to the occasion. In this way were given:

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