Elandslaagte Told Anew.

Sad Story of the Battlefield Where British Soldiers Dearly Bought Renown.

Boer Prisoners Tell of Their Desperate Case With Death at Every Turn.

For Once There Was No Safety in Flight-Deadly Rain of Shrapnel.

London, Dec. 21.—The correspondent of the Times describing the battlefield of Elandshagte realistically details the porrors of war. He writes:

"The battle field as it stood on Sun day conveyed sufficient proof of the severity of the fight. The wounded had een removed by daylight, but the burial parties had not arrived to perform the last duties to the dead. The men lay there as they had fallen, a sad pathetic tribute to the courage of the British soldier. As we followed this tragic trail we found Highlanders, Manchesters and Mounted Volunteers lying indiscrimately grouped. The solitary figures under the stones showed how little the coverhad availed them. There were places where wire femes had impeded the advance; here the carnage had been great, and one brave fellow stooped in death, cut off as he straye to wrench a post

"On the skyline out of the table land the dead lay thickest, this being the main spot where the attack had been checked, but the white flag was already there and strings of coolies digging the trench which is too often the soldiers' resting

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"We drove back to the Boer position, a little kopje where Schiel and his twenty-three men had made their last stand. The bodies of the 15 that had fallen of this little band were grouped as death had taken them. Some lay with heads sunken upon their rifle stocks, fighting to the end, another had died with his fingers pressing a charge into his his fingers pressing a charge into his magazine. What remained of the laager was a litter of shell fire. Wagons were splintered and overturned, foodstuff, dead horses and explosives lay in wrecked pro-fusion. There remained no doubt that our shell fire had played upon the posi-tion with full effect, and one could only marvel that the Boers had stood to their guns so long. But as one of the wound-ed prisoners told me, later in the day, there was no room to retreat, the ex-tended files of the Manchester Regiment sweeping the northern foot path, while the rain of shrapnel destroyed every liv-ing thing on the western slopes; and the scene at the farm house nestling at the fot of the ridge on the far side, bore out this statement. It was here that the Boers had brought their dead horses for cover and carcases lay piled on every side. The slaughter amongst the horses must almost have been as heavy as that

ANOTHER CORRUPT ELECTION. West Huron Trial Results in Unseating

Minister Garrow-West Elgin Unchanged by Recount.

Toronto, Dec. 22.—(Special)—Judges
Osler and Rose delivered judgment this

Lander, the English explorer, the only white man who penetrated Thibet, and who escaped with his life after having been subjected to untold tortures, arrived here to-day on the steamer St. Paul. Mr. Lander comes here to lecture and he will spend some months in this country, telling his story in all the large

COLLIDED IN A FOG

London, Bec. 22.—The Holland American line steamer Werkendum from Amsterdam yesterday for New York was in collision off Maasluis in the fog with the British steamer Silvo and had five plates on the port side smashed. No damage has been reported to the silve.

SHIP CAPTAIN AT FAULT.

Capetown, Dec. 21.—As a result of th inquiry into the wreck of the British transport Ismore which went ashore on the weeks in St. Helena Bay on December 3, the captain has had his certificate

ACTTATING IN NEW YORK.

Enemies of the British Make Arrange ments for Display of Sympathy with Boers.

New York, Dec. 22.—A pro-Boer meeting was held last night in the Morton House, which according to the Sun, was attended by "few descendants of the Dutch and Germans, many descendants of the Irish and a few plain ordinary Americans." Besignions of sympathy with the Beers were introduced and discussion followed on almost every subject from the war to the tariff. It was finally decided to appoint a committee to arrange a mass meeting on a large scale, to show their sympathy for the Roers.

ITCHING, BLEEDING PILES. Mr. W. G. Phyali, preprietor Bodega Hotel, 36 Wellington street, East, Toronro, says:— "While living in Chicago I was in a terrible shape with itching and bleeding piles, I tried several of the best shysicians and was barnt and tortured in various ways by their creatment to no avail, besides spending a min of money to no purpose. Since coming to Toronto I learned of Dr. Chase's Ointment, I used but one has an have not been troubled with " 1 say shape or form stace."

PORTUGAL 18 POWERLESS

Afraid to Stop Boer Traffic by Delago Bay Lest Raid on Her Poss-

adent of the Daily Mail, discussing the pertation of food, munitions of war,

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sault. The modern battle, owing to the length of rifle range, will last six days where formerly it would only have lasted a few hours.

AN AWFUL BLUNDER.

The Chieseley correspondent of the standard, who attributes thewhole distance of the request of petitioners. The decision voids the election and unseats J. T. Garrow, member elect and members of the catinet without perticities.

St. Thomas, Dec. 22.—The recount in West Elgin before County Judge Ermatinger, confirms Macdiarniid, Conservative, in the seat with a margiority of 17, a decrease of one from the original margiority.

Whilt Fell Americans of His Experiences in Thibet.

New York, Dec. 23.—Henry Savage Lander, the English explorer, the only here somewhat as showing that the government in the West flies men were erdered to take cover on the steep reverse of the kopie, days on the steep reverse of the kopie, as soon as the enemy realized flais move, the men on the western hill teemed on the standard, who attributes thewhole disasoon as the enemy realized flais nove, the men on the western hill teemed on the standard opened up on our men as they lay on the slope. They were absolutely hemmed in, and what dommenced as a shirmish seemed about to become a butchery.

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SUPPLISING THE ENEMY.

Owing to the gravity of the situation, the war office officials will not remit their advanced in the continued firing for many minutes. Then the men were erdered to take over on the steep reverse of the kepie, cover no the steep reverse of the kepie, cover no the steep reverse of the kepilover, the men on the western hill teemed on the sand opened up on our men as they lay on the slope. They were absolutely hemmed in, and what commenced as a shirmish seemed about to become a butchery.

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such traffic, and that even some English firms have been supplying the enemy, pechaps unintentionally through foreign esignees. VOLUNTERRING ALL BOUND.

It is announced that two battalions of Guards will be included in the eighth di-

The Earl of Erroll, hereditary lord high constable of Scotland, will accompany the commander-in-chief on special

The Earl of Derby is raising a corps of Vounteers in Lancashire. Mr. Victor Christian Cavendich, mem ber of parliament for West Denbyshire and heir apparent to the Duke of Devon shire, has welunteered to the

The Capetown correspondent of the Times under dade of December 17, says:

"The Boer fighting line is very thin and a single British success might crumble it completely. The real canger, however, is not the military situation, but the like-lihood of a Ducton rebellion, which would be area of war so vast that an admendance of war so vast that an admendance of war so vast that an admendance of the country north of that point is in sams, and the farms of the loyalists are being taken by the Boers, who reap the groups. DANGER OF REBELLION

Referring to the tardy acceptance of assistance from local forces, the correspondent says: "Gen. Buller undoubtedly

at the beginning displayed a certain self-sufficient unwillingness to accept local advice and assistance which events rapid-ly modified. CHURCHILL'S ESCAPE.

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The following despatch has been received from Lorenzo Marques under date of December 47 regarding Mr. Winston Churchill's escape from the Boers:

"Mr. Churchill wrote Gen. Joubert on December 9 asking to be released on the ground of being a war correspondent. Gen. Joubert on December 13 replied that Mr. Churchill had been detained because he had been reported as a combatant assisting an armored train to escape. He added that Mr. Churchill was unknown to him personally, but he would accept his assurance that he was a non-secondary and would order his release. This order arrived at Pretoria ten hours after Mr. Churchill had escaped, leaving behind him a letter expressing gratifing for the treatment he had received."

Sion occurred at the Baznell coal works, four miles from here, to-day. Forty men are entombed.

The men could be heard talking at the bottom of the shaft. The mine boss went I down, and has not returned and it is supposed that he and the men have been overcome by after damp, as all sounds have ceased to come from the bottom.

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The Mules' Stampede.

London, Dec. 23.-The Liebon corres- Details at Last Received of the Night Misadventure at

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to the cover at the reverse of the hill on the west. Later two strong parties of mounted men twok a position on the far side of the two hills commanding the kopie from the west. About 9 o'clock these two parties had crossed the hill and opened a heavy fire at short range, right down the plateau. Our men made The Boer trenches which are rather like underground dwellings than trenches, always provide a safe means of retreat. They are very wide and deep and are casemated at intervals, allowing the concentration of defenders at any given point, without danger to themselves.

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"The British here are anxious that the Boers should attack them and the belief is prevalent that treachery is largely responsible for the undirectimate placed on the Boer forces by the cavalry socute."

The British here are anxious that the Boers on the west had not yet declared themselves, but about 200 marksmen climber to the position which the two companies of the Gloucester shires had just vacasted. These men about 10 the graph of the solutely raked the plateau, and it was selves in readiness for South African is solved in Gen Buller's repulse to the men on the west and it was selves in readiness for South African service. Five hundred Lee-Metford as soon as the enemy realized this move, the men on the west and it was the step reverse of the kopie.

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To Circulate Manifesto With Object of

Securing Some Sympathy in, Europe. Amsterdam, Dec. 22.—A committee has

been formed to draw up a protest against cruelties alleged to have been committed by the British in South Africa. A man festo will be passed to the people of Eng-land and the Continent, rehearing in-

NORTHERN CAPE COLONY

von- Boers Now Reaping Crops of Loyelist Farmers and Their Forces Largely Swelled.

theod of a Dutch rebellion, which would make the area of war so vast that an additional 50,000 men would be easily swallowed up in maintaining the enormous length of British communications."

Boer accounts of successful engagements are printed for distribution throughout the affected districts.

MINING DISASTER

Forty Men Entombed in a Pennsylvania Coal Mine-Six Bodies Recovered.

Brownswille, Pa., Dec. 23.—An explosion occurred at the Baznell coal works, four miles from here, to-day. Forty men

THE CANADIAN SENTIMENT

Volced by Toronto Board of Trade In Applauding Offer to Help Fight Empire's Battles

Toronto, Dec. 22.—An open meeting of the Board of Trade was held this afternoon to discuss matters relating to sending the second Canadian contingent to the Transvaal. Numerous speeches were made in hearty approval of the course taken by the Dominion government and the following resolution was passed:

New Orleans to-day and left imme

diately for Halifax.

The Mounted Rifles will be armed with 363 rifles was earlines. It is feared that not enough police will be forthcoming, as nearly all the unmarried constables are in Turkon.

It is reproved that Mr. Torte is indicated. It is reported that Mr. Tarte is insist-ing that parliament must be called **before** the departure of the second contingent.

Kingston, Dec. 22.-Col. Kitson left

Toronto, Dec. 22.—There is the great-est activity in military circles here, con-sequent on receipt of a despatch to pre-African contingent. Nearly all the Dra-goons kave offered themselves. Winnipeg, Dec. 22.—Over three hunded men have offered their services to

Capt. Williams, D.O. C., for enlistment PATRIOTISM AT NELSON.

Fourteen Hundred Dollars Given at Concert in Aid of Mansion

House Fund.

Nelson, Dec. 22 Unbounded patriotic centhusiasm was displayed here at the smoking concert in aid of the Mansion House fund. The large opera house vas packed to the doors and cheering

was packed to the doors and cheering was almost continuous throughout the progress of the lang programme. The singing of the 'Absent-Minded Beggar' was greeted with such a storm of gold and silver that the singer had to flee from the stage.

One enthusiastic miner wrapped a large hill around a piece of ore and throwing it at the stage inflicted a nasty scalp wound on the gentleman who was playing the accompaniment to the song.

Merchants donated articles which were sold at auction and brought fancy prices. Bottles of beer went at over ten dollars each, and two tiny flags, the Union Jack and Stars and Stars and Stars and stars and brought \$15. Turkeys were disposed of for \$7 and \$8 and cigars at 50 cents each. Never was such loyalty displayed in the Kootenays and as a result the Mansion House fund will be increased by \$1,400 as Nelson's contribution.

COMMISSIONS FOR CANADIANS. Imperial Government Sends Invitations to Graduates of the Royal Military College.

Ottawa, Dec. 22.-The Governor-General has received a despatch from the war office, offering commissions in the British army to graduates of the Royal Military College not already engaged in the Imperial service, and recommended by the minister of militia. Out of 263 graduates, 102 are now in the army.

SAVED FROM THE LAKE. Oleveland, Ohio, Dec. 22.-Pickard's Mather & Co., owners of the whaleback barge No. 115 which it was supposed had been lost with all on board in a great storm of early last week, to day received a telegram from the captain of the barge saying that himself and the crew were safe. The telegram is dired Middleton,

DESCRIPTION OF SHOWING BOARD TO SHORE

Incidents Of Tugela,

Lord Roberts' Son Met His Death in Attempt to Save:

Volunteering

For Africa.

Advices from Naguwpoort describe are spicen.

Advices from Naguwpoort describe everything as quiet there, and the only fresh news from Arundel concerns the weather, which is excessively hot.

The Daily Telegraph has a special from Chieveley, dated December 16, which tells how Lieut. Roberts, fell at Tugela river. It says:

"The horses of the 14th and 66th batteries had been killed, and Lieut. Roberts. Capt. Schofield and Capt. Congreve, off the Rifles, attempted with gunner wolunteers to drag out the guns. Capt. Schofield succeeded, helped by a corporal and some ment.

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"Lieut. Roberts was hit badly by a shell. Capt. Congreave, Capt. Foster and Major Baptie brought Lieut. Roberts from the open into a little ravine, where he lay hidden from the enemy's terrible fire.

"Fourteen gunners and fourteen men of the Devonshire Regiment were with Col. Ballock when the retirement was ordered. These men, with isolated parties of the Devonshires and Scots Fusiliers, together with some of the Queen's, were cut off and captured. Many fought until late in the afternoon, a part of the Irishmen running the gauntlet of the Boer Mausers from hiding places along the river bank.

"At 5 p. m. 40 Boers approached the ten abandoned guns. On espying Col. Bullock, Capt. Congreave and the others in the ravine, they called upon the British to surrender. Col. Bullock declined and threatened to shoot, although his party only had one rifle. The Boers retired and a parley ensued. Then 100 rode up to within a few yards of the party, but Col. Bullock swore he would not be taken a prisoner, whereupon a Boer knocked him down with his rifle butt. Afterwards the enemy gave our wounded water and cordials. Then have wounded water and cordials. Then have Boer knocked him down with his rifle butt. Afterwards the enemy gave our wounded water and cordials. Then having taken all their arms, ammunition and field glasses, they let them return by our ambulances. Col. Bullock, Col. Hunt, Major Walter and Capt. Goodwyn were taken prisoners. The Scots Fusiliers lost nearly two companies captured."

A diespatch to the Daily Mail from Chieveley, dated December 15, estimated the casualties in Gen. Buller's repulse as 1,150, including 332 missing. It is announced that "a portion of the British troops have returned to Frere."

COLLING ON VOLUNTEERS.

London, Dec. 23.—Attorney-General Bingland."

The Kreuzzer Zeitung also contains a paragraph meant to be Anglophile. There is no doubt the government is beginning to bring the weight of its influences on the press to bear in favor of public affairs is so critical as a greater part of regular forces will be required abroad, it becomes imperative for the purpose of home defence that the volunteers shall be augmented, and urging that every member of the legal profession, not debarred by age or paramount duty, enroll himself as an active member of some volunteer corps.

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Chieveley Camp, Natal, Sunday, Dec. 17.—The camp, which was pitched to the left of the position taken up by the union brigade was shifted from that point this morning to Chieveley. morning to Chieveley. The wounded are being entrained for Pietermartizburg. Most of the wounds are in the arms or legs. Doctor Treves is operating on the wounded. Sir Wm. McCormack, attended at the railway platform, and several assistant surgeons are giving

every attention. FRENCHMEN EXCITED.

A Pro-Boer Demonstration in Paris Ends in a Riot.

Paris, Dec. 23.-A pro-Boer demon stration convened last evening at the Tivoli Vaux hall by the executive committee of Jeunesse royalists ended in a riot. The Socialists entered in force explosion occurred in the Snowshoe mine and broke up the meeting amid an indescribable uproar and shouts of "Vive la day, caused by drilling into an old blast social revolution!" with counter cries of "Vive Deroulede!" Several nationalist deputies who were present endeavored to speak, but they were quite inaudible. The combatants then lighted newspapers The combatants then lighted newspaper and started to fight. Finally the police

SEIZURE OF FLOUR

Ambassador Choate and American Consul to Make Investigation.

Washington, Dec. 23.-The state department received from the Pennsylvania Milling Company of New York a statement of fact touching on the seizure of two cargoes of flour belonging to that concern bound for Portuguese ports in South Africa. The seizures were made by British warships, on the ground that the flour was intended for the Boers. Following established usage, the state department has set about to ascertain the facts and to tast and her called the facts, and to that end has called upon the acting United States consul at Lorenzo Marquez to make an investiga-Lorenzo Marquez to make an investiga-tion. Ambassador Choate has also been furnished with a copy of the statement of the milling company, and it is not doubted that if the facts are as repre-sented and the goods were really seized when under consignment from one neutral power to another neutral port, prompt reparation will be made.

MOODY'S FUNERAL.

East Northfield, Mass., Dec. 23-Yield-

VESSELS IN DISTRESS.

Orac Runs Short of Coal and the Other Is Driven Ashore.

St. John's, Nild., Dec. 23.-The British steamer Angers, Capt. Taylor, 18 days from Hamburg for Norfolk, Va., with part of a cargo of salt, has just arrived here short of coal. She reports having here short of coal. She reports having encountered fearful weather on her voyage across the Atlantic. On the trip she met a succession of storms, during which her decks were swept and she sustained sundry damages.

The schooner Myra drove ashore near William Gale during a gale, and her company, with the exception of her captain, abandoned her. After losing her spars the vessel floated off and drifted to sea with the captain on board. The mail steamer Albert has gone in search of her.

TO BAID CANADA.

A Hot-Headed Fenian Writes a Sense less Letter to an Omaha Paper.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 23.—An open letter, signed "Liberty," appeared in a paper ere to-day, calling upon Fenian organzations, the Clan-na-Gael, and similar anti-British associations to prepare for an invasion of Canada. It is understood that the letter was written by a Fenian who took part in a raid on Canada. The police have communicated the circumstances to the officials.

STORM IN JAPAN

New York, Dec. 23.—The Commercial Cable Company this evening sent out the following notice: "We are advised that communication with Japan, north of Osaka, is interrupted by storm, and its restoration is uncertain. This includes, Yokohama, Tokyo and Hakodata"

Ladysmith. That Was the Only Report Received From the Front

Yesterday.

Report That a British Army Corps Has Disembarked at

Lorenzo Marquez. London, Dec. 24.-4:45 a.m.- Beyond to Friday afternoon, with no fighting except outpost skirmishing, absolutsly no strongly against the "Folly of demonstrative Anglophobia". It may be a strongly against the "Folly of demonstrative Anglophobia".

From a continental despatch, however, ly inspired article in which this argument comes the incredible rumor that a Britism army corps had disembarked at Loring impossible without harbors and the combine of the combin

sh army corps had disembarked at Lorenzo Marques and is marching towards the Transvaal frontier.

COLLING ON VOLUNTEERS.

London, Dec. 23.—Attorney-General Webster, Solicitor-General Finlay, and Gen. Sir Evelyn Wood, adjutant-general to the forces, have addressed a circular to the effect that the present position of

BRITISH AT CHIEVELEY. Chieveley, Dec. 17, evening.—The British army is occupying its original camping ground. The Naval Brigade this morning fired a few shells at the Boer positions. The result is not known, but the firing is taken to show that the naval guns are able to command the Tugela

FOREIGN ATTACHES Durban, Dec. 23.-The foreign attaches have arrived here on the to Gen. Buller's headquarters.

ACCIDENT AT PHOENIX One Man Killed and Another Injured in

the Snowshoe Mine. the Snowshoe Mine.

Greenwood, B.C., Dec. 23.—A fatal big seals attached.

expected confirmation as chief burgomaster, consisting of documents with big seals attached. at Phoenix Camp at twelve o'clock tothat had missed fire. The victims are: John Nelson, killed, and Stanley McLeod, seriously, perhaps, fatally, injured. Both are single men. No blame is attached to ent as the manager claim o have warned the victims before going to work that two shots had missed Nelson was blown to pieces.

WILL NOT RETIRE. special Law Keeps Dewey on Activ

List During His Lifetime. Washington, Dec. 23.-Admiral George Dewey will be 62 years of age Christmas Day, and under the ordinary process of law would be placed on the retired list on that account. The special law by From cottage homes, from ancient halls, which he was advanced to the head of the navy makes no provision for his reon the active list, in all probability until

AFTER KWANG'S SCALP. Edict Issued Offering Reward for Reformer Dead or Alive.

Pekin, Dec. 23.-An Imperial edict ins ssued offers special rewards for the cap ture of the Cantonese reformer Kwang Yu Wei, dead or alive. As Kwang Yu Wei is in Hongkong this is regarded as an incitement to com-mit murder in a British colony. CHILDREN BURNED.

Quincy, Ill., Dec. 23.—Five little children burned during the rehearsal of Christmas exercises at St. Francis' parochial school yesterday, died during the hight, bringing the death roll up to eleven. Others are so but the turned that they may die.

Boers Chafe At Delay.

Methuen's Long Halt at Modder River Seriously Affects Their Plans.

Since His Presence Protects Kimberley British General Content to Walt.

While Enemy Run Short of Sup. plies and Must Leave or Force Action.

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 22.-In spite of the delay of Gen. Methuen in advancing he is regarded as largely the master of the situation and his entrenched position is believed to be unassailable. In the event of the Boers attacking Kimberley Gen. alry, consequently such a movement on the part of the Boers, it is said, is not contemplated. It is apparently therefore that to "make haste slowly" is the truest policy at present. In accordance with Gen Methuen's dictum, the army should not advance faster than the slowest ox

wagon.

A despatch from Capetown dated Sunday, December 17, says that Gen. Methuen's primary object in crossing the Modder River appears to have been to establish searchlight communication with Kimberley, which is believed to be still on full rations. The water in the mines is plentiful.

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On the other hand, in spite of their usual tactics it is considered probable that the Boers have been compelled to assume the offensive, the commander having arranged for the disposition of forces, and anticipating difficulty in maintaining food supplies in the present position. Moreover, it is said there is a growing desire among the Free Staters to return home which is testified to on many sides and may tend to precipitate an action.

COMING AROUND.

Germans Now See the Folly of Opposing Great Britain.

Berlin, Dec. 23 .- A gradual veering of public opinion in Germany regarding the war in South Africa is becoming apparent. The change is led by the inspirthe statement that a heilographic message from Ladysmith reports "All well" articles appear pointing in the new distribution of the press. To-day several articles appear pointing in the new distribution of the press. To-day several articles appear pointing in the new distribution. The Cologne Gazette arguerates. cept outpost skirmishing, absolutsly no tive Anglophobia." It says: "Germany's news has been received of the war during real interest is to maintain absolute neuthe night. The war office officials said at midnight that they had received no further despatches.

The war office officials said traility in sentiment. It is wise to retain England's good will if Germany intends to develope colonially."

The Berliner Post contains an obvious-

mistake. Right or wrong we mus tinue friendly with England."

MADE HIM HAPPY.

Emperor William Presents Seals to Burgomaster of Berlin.

Berlin, Dec. 23 .- At the ceremony of the unveiling of the monument to Elector George William, in the Siege Salle today the Emperor looked hale and hearty and had ruddy cheeks. The ceremony was brief. There were no speeches but the occasion was rendered memorable by His Majesty at the close, stepping briskly to Herr Kirschner, the chief bur-gomaster of Berlin, shaking hands with him cordially and handing him his long

ENGLAND Do they say that England's dying; That this war shall mark her fall; he that is Queen of a hundred lands.

She, the mother of great sea captains, Whose deeds of fame encompassed the earth-All the long line of mighty warriors, Ours the Isles that gave you birth!

England, proudest of all nations.

Sueing for peace at Kruger's knee! Let India's story give the lie And Delhi's hard-won victory Before she dares to strike once more.

All full of hope and manhood's pride

Their laurel crowns too early won England, for you they gave their lives;

For you they shed their hearts' be blood!
But thousands more are pressing on To face the fire and breast the flood. From furthest lands may yet be found; From furthest lands across the seas They speed unto the battle ground.

For love of liberty they come; For all the thousand links that bind Their hearts to that dear Mother Land-

Such sons as these—an armed wall.

Dangers may thicken, foes arise

On every side—she shall not fall!

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ociated Press. on, Dec. 26.-D lodder River dated Th ber 21, report that in was continuing on both the Boers' shells fell she A number of Free Stat

There is an unconfirme a Canadian picket was It is also asserted that among the Boers.

RESERVE AT PR London, Dec. 27.—The respondent of the Daily graphing Wednesday, I says: "Lord Methuen, I tends to remain at Modd three weeks longer. From hitherto singularly well in that there are eight thou officers and men skilled in officers and men skilled it tary tactics, particularly in Pretoria, as a reserve, trative official in the Cap has just returned from o duty in the Dutch district, of the British reverses has with great joy, even in le with great joy, even in there is no open revolt."

SORTIE FROM LA A despatch to the Dail Ladysmith dated Friday, by telegraph, says: Anoth-night, Gen. Hunter with destroyed one six-inch cret howitzer and one Maxim, was killed. The Boer gu BULLER'S OPERA

There is an idea in some that Gen, Bulier's destruct gela bridge heralds an a off the Boers now south but the general opinion is ish will not make any pending the arrival of Log The 16th Lancers will Africa from India at the quest of Lord Roberts, egovernment had decided troops should be withdraw BOER OFFICIAL

A despatch from Chieve shells are daily thrown camp to prevent them trenches. The firing of bidaily from the direction of ESCAPED BOER RE

Commander Demeillon, tured at Elandshagte at Simonstown, where he sucing his escape from the Penelope, has been recape. The transport Tantallon rived at Capetown with howitzers and quick-firing Gen. Buller urgently need:

The government have Lake Erie, of the new E. Co.'s line which was built adiam mail service. She ian mail service. She 12,000 tons. A despatch from Lordated Thursday gives the father Boer head bagger, da December 19: "The Britis at Colenso have been caur wer bridge, over the Tug a view of smashing it. ment of Ladysmith is proc Gen. Joubert has arrived accorded a hearty welco

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