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BULLER'S BIG ARMY. His Force by Christmas Will Aggregate Ninety-five Thousand Men. Boers Are Planting More Guns on the Hills Surrounding Ladysmith.

A British Advance Will be Impossible for Some Das, as Additional Artiller Cannot Reach Durban

Before Tuesda Next.

LONDON, Nov. 12 .- The Allan Line Steamer Sardinian, from Montreal and Quebec, with the Canadian Contingent for South Africa, has arrived at St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands.

LONDON, Nov. 11, 4.30 .- Complete | followed by a continuous succession of troop-laden ships, the real campaign in ilence has again fallen upon affairs in South Africa may be said to have com-South Africa. The British public must perforce be content with the brief, menced, and the fact that the forme was ordered to proceed to Durban, Nastereotyped report, which the censor allows to filter through from Cape tal, fonthwith, is said to indicate an entire change, or at least a modifica-Town. That this condition of things is no longer due to pressure of work of defective cables has been amply tion, in the plan of advance. It seen that Gen. Buller's first move will be rroved. The eastern telegraph com to free Gen. White, thus somewhat depany reckons that the real delay in parting from the earlier plans credited transmission is about two days. It to him of advancing through the level country of the Orange Free State and is evident, therefore, that the censorship is responsible for the other two Southwestern Transvaal. It has been apparent for some days that the situdays of delay which seems to befall all ation at Ladysmith could not be indethe despatches. Moreover, the Daily Telegraph anfinitely prolonged, and it is understood not nees that its "appropriated deinformation has reached the governfrom Ladysmith, dated Monment that the quiescence of the Boers will shortly be changed by the arrival day, which the war office published on Tuesday, was not delivered in Fleet of the siege train from Pretoria into a determined attempt to deliver a telstreet until yesterday (Friday) mornling stroke. This, it is added, led Gen. ing. It is believed that the war office received further despatches last evening, but nothing has been pub-Buller to prepare a counter stroke and endeavor to push the Boer back by a direct attack. Such an operation, if attempted, will necessarily entail great expenditure of life, ds during the SHOULD BE BETTER PREPARED. At a banquet in the city of London month the Boers have occupied Northyesterday, the Duke of Cambridge, ern Natal they have fortified most of speaking on the war, said ;

the passes and other positions suitable to their style of fighting. ESTCOURT, Nov. 10, Tuesday (night)—An armored train, whch has returned within half a mile of Colenso, saw no sign of the Boers. LADYSMITH ALL RIGHT.

ALLEGED BRITISH LOSS.

MOBILIZATION ORDERS.

NOT TILL CHRISTMAS. LONDON, Nov. 10 .- The British war

western frontier. All the despatches tend to show that the British are holding out ably. Col. Powell reports SIEGE TRAIN

that all was well at Mafeking on Nov. 6. Ladysmith's latest date is Nov. 9. While nothing adverse is heard from the latter point, and confidence is felt in Gen. White's ability-previous eral perience having shown that the Boer artillery is not very effective—it is be-ginning to be proved that the acquisi-tion of artillery which has destroyed the mobility of the Boer forces has also failed to give them any compensating that all was well at Mafeking on Nov. pany the train. by the transport of heavy guns, and their rescue from tight places, Gen. Joubert might ere this have been in Pietermaritzburg. Unless the heavy Boer antillery justifies itself by reduc-

This will be the first employment of ing Ladysmith, it will again hamper bim in the eventual retreat from Natal, when Gen. Builer sends the relieving

will be made over the Drakensbu range into the Zoutpansburg district. where every preparation for provision-ing and maintaining the Boers is said to have been made for the land stand, and where it will be difficult to dislodge them. Already it is rumored that they are in straits for food around Lady-smith, and may, therefore, be obliged to abandon the siege.

been to some extent effective. Poort, as he considered the fronties line too weak and too much extended

ordered the Boers.

The wounded are recovering in a re-markable manner. The Mauser wounds are small and heal quickly. Many of the wounded apply for permission to return to the front. Destatches from Mafeking show that Col. Baden-Powell's little force is still not merely holding its own, but is daily inflicting more or less severe punishment upon the Boers, whose ar-

rider, via Hope Town, Nov. 4, morn-"In yesterday's fight the Boers madtheir appearance near Carter's farm. The British opened fire with a Maxim, the enemy replying with rifles. By mistake our fire went down into the Mobilized for Service in South Africa. LONDON, Nov. 9.-The war office is mobilizing a siege train, composed of 14 6-inch howitzers, eight 5-inch, and

valley, killing a member of the Cape police and wounding another. The British finally rested on the reservoir, eight 4-inch nowiczers, eight 5-inch, and eight 4-inch guns, with travelling car-riages, and 15,000 rounds of lyddite and cordite shells. The 6-inch guns will have a range of 10,000 yards. Eleven hundred and thirty-six officers and men, supplied with 25,000 rounds where two guns were brought up to hell the Boers. The result is not yet "Meanwhile some Boers had occup of small arm ammunition, will accom-Kamper's Dam, firing with one gun of Ottoskopje, but not getting the range

The armament is now being issued from Woolwich, and part of it has al-ready been forwarded to Devonport for shipment to Scuth Africa. They did no damage. It is believed that six Boers were killed in the first light "The Boers now surround Kimberley

in great numbers, and are bent on 'lifting' cattle and harrassing the Brita :nodernized slege train by an European army; and the progress of the reduction of forts by lyddite shell fire, a preliminary to storming by infantry, will be watched with interest and cursh. New alarm signals were sounde t ten o'clock this morning, the enemy having been observed in greater num bers and closer to our outposts. The fired on a patrol under Major Pea ing was at long range. The only cas-ualty was the wounding of Major Ayleff of the Cape police.

of Telsmead's farm, at Kenilworth ly ineffective. The Boer investment of the town, however, is said to be tight-

Skirmishing between the Kimberley mounted troops and the Boers early in the week resulted in severe Boer ity. The demonstration made to the losses, the British losing one killed and southwest today was only a feint

cover the unsuccessful movement at Advices from Orange river confirm Kenilworth after cattle. Their field the report of the Free State troops adgun shooting was poor, all the shells vance upon the north of Cape Colony; falling short.' but, owing to the retirement of the British forces from the borderland, 30 serious collision has yet occurred. The lated Cape Town, Nov. 11, 10.40 p. m.: "Col. Kekewich (British commande

An official despatch recording a skirmish near Belmont, in which Col. Falconer was killed, three other offiendeavoring to ascertain the numbers of the Boers. It is considered some-what remarkable that four out of the six casualties should have happened to officers, and this is thought to need

some explanation. Destatches from Mafeking show that Col. Baden-Powell's little force is llery has apparently proved value

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paucity of news from eaves the chief interest centered i the arrival of reinforcements. Es

the arrival of reinforcen "The enemy 'lifted' forty cattle northcourt despatches say that he communication has been establi east of the sanitarium, subsequently firing eight shells in the neighborhood with Ladysmith, but so far no n has been received, the latest date be They did no damage and retired. Later they fired on a number of coning Nov. 6, which shows that the occu pants of Ladysmith had no news o victs who were working near the sani-tarium, and eventually went off with the outside world sin e Gen. French reached Pietermaritz org and that they were puzzled at the inactivity of the Boers. Every one was confident and cheerful, but all were suffering large number of cattle and donkeys. "The Boers are well mounted, and from the dips in the veldt they appear and disappear with marvellous rapidonvenience of the siege

DASHING SORTIES.

Col. Baden-Powell's dashing sorties at Mafeking encouraged the hope that the British garrisons along the west-ern border are well able to hold out. Cecil Rhodes is employing 8,000 m white and black, at Kimberley in r making as a remedy for destitution. According to a despatch from De Aar the Boers at Kimberley have got the exact range of the mines and are con-stantly throwing shells at the dyna-mite buts. Several of the latter LONDON, Nov. 12 .- The war office issued the following despatch this evening from Gen. Sir Redvers Buller, ande at Kimberley) reports that the enemy mite huts. Several of the latter was very active on Nov. 4, principally with the object of driving off cattle. been blown up, and the da to the mines already amo The Orange Free State troops retired

thousand pounds. Among the stories from Brussels is one that General Jouhert and Sir George White have been endeavoring rapidly before Col. Turner, without At 12.30 p. m. the Transvaal roops advanced on Kenilworth. Major Peakman, with a squadron of Kimberto negotiate for the capitulation of ley Light Horse, was hiding in the bush, and give the enemy a warm re-Ladysmith, but have failed to come to

"The Boers retired firing. Col. Tur-ner reinforced Major Peakman, and at 12.45 the enemy opened fire with one piece of artillery at nearly 4,000 yards UNPLEASANT READING. The story of Father Matthews cabled Lorenzo Marques regarding the sur-render at Nicholson's Nek is too vague

range. Two guns of the Diamond Field ar-tillery were then in support of Col. Turner, but the enemy's guns had ceased firing after the fifth round. Consequently our guns did not come

onne had fired on the Fr

GEN. BULLER'S ORDERS. Despatches from Estcourt say it has been ascertained that the British have laid concrete beds for firing the lyddite raval guns, showing that there is ad

oundation for the fear that the dite ammunition at Ladysmith has been exhausted. It is also reported from the same quarters that some fir have been seen in Ladysmith, indicating that the Boer bombardment has A special despatch from Cape Town confirms the earlier report that it was Gen. Buller who ordered the British see important developments in this district. A special despatch from Cape

It is understood, however, that Naauw, Falconer was killed, three other offi-Poort will be occupied again as soon cers were wounded-one dangerously-Poort will be occupied again as soon and two privates slightly wounded, is as the advance from Queenstown is and two privates slightly wounded, is ordered. Strong bids are being made by the whether Col. Falconer was preparing Boers for the support of the Cape for a British advance or was merely

Dutch, but without much success, al-though it is believed that the Dutch farmers, especially in Picquetberg dis-trict, armed with Munsers, are watch-ing the course of events before joining

AN OFFICIAL DESPATCH.

ening one wounded.

nes St. Montreal.



contracted to float the ashore at Block Island, ht of vessel and cargo. h of Nov. 6th says: Sch. ch, from Guantanamo for edar and mahogany, was Fortune Island Oct. 29. d of 44 pieces cedar and y.

Calcaterra, from St. t. Calcaterra, 1rom 33, for Waterford, near bore, as before reported, a safe position on Duna safe position on Dun-she lies hard aground. th the wreckers is for pay." Her maintopmast are gone. I net tons, built in 1891, the Elder-Dempster Co. \$47,000. The same com-str. Lokoja to French inspection. Str. Arawa, h purchased by the same inspection. Str. Arawa, purchased by the same Ship Thomas Hilyard, St. John in 1874, and Roberts, Liverpool, has £2,500.

CHANGE.

ys Hon. Dr. Borden is to m the Ministry.

lov. 8.-The Military ays: The early retire-Dr. Borden from the ia is not improbable. enjoying the best of tly he was unable to nbers of the govern final farewell to our frica at Quebec. In e has taken more in in the militia than essors, and where he een because of politiis said he desires to ector general of the The present officer, grown grey in the ving ample private retire any time. The is to give Dr. Bor-Hon. Jas. Sutherland, his object in view he e cabinet. Dr. Borcabinet will in all en by Mr. Fraser of

OR MONCTON. gley of Westfield, raduated from the nent of the Currie ity, has accepted a apher for L. Higgins boots and short, ingley left on C. P.

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B., March 28, 1898. tley's (10c.) Liniment best thing for sore I have ever tried. ARLES HODGIN.

pected to commence the campaign be-fore Christmas; and it now looks as though this would be the case. Cer-

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lished.

and yet another illustration of muddling has become apparent in the fact that gunnery instructors have only just arrived at Woolwich arsenal for instructions in siege train duties. Although hurried preparations are being made to prepare the siege trains, the fact that men are at Devonport and the guns at Woolwich seem to show that the idea of the siege train was quite an afterthought.

"We ought never to have allowed

ourselves to be in the position in which

the outbreak of war found us. I could cry over the valuable lives

which might have been spared, had

we been better prepared."

come of such muddling, if we ever come to fighting a foe able to turn it to advantage ? Some radical reforms are still needed in our mobilization arrangements."

The statement from Ladysmith that the British guns do not reply to the Boer artillery because the concrete beds for the guns have not yet hardened, is interpreted in some quarters to mean simply that the British are husbanding their ammunition, as the Boer fire is only a trick to get the British to waste shells. Among the few items that have ar

rived from the Cape today is one saying that the Boers are planting more guns from the hills surrounding Ladysmith. All the correspondents in the beleagured town are safe and anxious to reopen communication. A gentleman who visited Nicholson's

Nek after the engagement counted twenty-five killed and seventy wounded. KIMBERLEY ADVICES.

The latest advices from Kimberley, dated Nov. 2nd, say that all was well then. An explosion has been there heard and the supposition was that the Boers had blown up the railway culvert south of Dronfield. The Belgian government, it is said, has warned Dr. Leyds, whose head-

quarters is at Brussels, that Belgium is a neutral country, A corps of engineers from Gibraltar will accompany the siege train to the Cape, and the men will be used in mounting the heaviest guns. Two battalions of mounted infantry, every man selected for his riding and shooting qualities, will be sent to the front.

TRANSPORTS ARRIVE.

Nov. 9.—Have received by pigeon from Gen. White today the following: The tainly no artillery can reach Durban before Nov. 14, and, without additional ombardment at long range by heavy guns, an advance from Estcourt would guns continues daily. A few casualbe impossible. No doubt, as Lord ties are occurring, but no serious harm is being done. The Boers sent in to-Salisbury said in a recent speech, England will "muddle through it;" day a number of refugees from the Transvaal under a flag of truce. A flag of truce from Ladysmith left them outside the pickets. When the party separated the Bcer guns fired on it before it reached our pickets. Major Gale, of the Royal Engineers, was wounded today while sending a mes-

provisions is ample The Morning Post says : "What will LONDON, Nov. 10 .- A rumor eman ating from Amsterdam sources says

that "a British regiment was decimated Friday by Free Staters." It is added that 600 of the British soldiers were killed or wounded, and that 300 NEWS FROM LADYSMITH.

orses were captured. With the additional division an nounced by Lord Wolseley at the Lord Mayor's banquet yesterday evening, Gen. Buller's forces will aggre gate 95,000 men by Christmas. LONDON, Nov. 10 .- Orders for the mobilization of the necessary reserves

for the supplementary division announced yesterday by Lord Wolseley, were issued this evening. The me will join between Nov. 13th and Nov 20th. TRANSPORT SAILS.

LONDON, Nov. 10 .- The troopship Bavarian sailed from Queenstown this evening for the Cape, carrying the Connaught Rangers, the first battal-ion of the Royal Dublin Fusiliers, and

a contingent of miscellaneous troops altogether over 2,000 men and a large quantity of stores. Crowds witnessed and cheered the departure of the ves TO JOIN THE BOER FORCES.

BERLIN, Nov. 10 .- It is asserted that Major Von Reitzenstein, winner of the long distance military ride from Berlin to Vienna, has gone the Transvaal to join the Boers.

LONDON, Nov. 13, 4.30 a. m.-This orning's news from the seat of was in South Africa continues fairly satisfactory. The official cables are not very detailed with regard to the Bel ont incident, which, except for the loss of Col. Falconer, was not a very

serious affair. LONDON, Nov. 10 .- With the arrival There are signs of greatly increased at Cape Town of the British trans-ports Roslyn Castle and Moor, to be Boer activity in Natal and along th



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this morning issued the following official the following despatch t CAPE TOWN, Thursday, evening, Sunday, Nov. 12, noont

"Col. Gough, at Orange river, reorts that during the reconnoissance of 15 miles; to a point nine miles west of Belmont, on Nov. 10, the officers of the patrol first came on a Boer position taken upon a great semi-circular ridge, standing out into a plateau They endeavored to make the Boer develop their strength by demonstrating with two squadrons of the Ninth Lancers and a field battery on the left wing with one and one half companies of mounted infantry on the right wing and with artillery in the sage. The entrenchments are daily niddle of the plateau out of the ingrowing stronger and the supply of

fantry fire. "The enemy began by firing at ou cavalry from a gun at the north end. As the cavalry in open order began to ircle around them the hills seemed full of sharp shooters. The mounted infantry endeavored to outflank the enemy's left in order to discover the aager, coming under a heavy and unexpected fire from a few skirmishers. "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. Gcugh withdrew his force from a demonstration lasting three hours and returned to camp the same afternoon near Orange river.

"The guns and a few horses were brought in by rail. The wounded were sent to Orange river by rail immedi-ately after the action. The enemy's strength appeared considerable, apparently 700 with one gun."

LONDON, Nov. 13 .- The war office announces that the troopship Roslin Castle has arrived at Durban and the troopship Gascon at Cape Town.

19 BULLER AT DURBAN?

LONDON, Nov. 13 .- The fact that the latest two official despatches were Castle has arrived at Cape Town with received from Gen. Sir Forestie Walker, and rot from Gen. Buller eems to indicate that the latter may have already left Cape Town. A Brussels telegram seserts that he has actually reached Durban. LONDON, Nov. 13 .- An unofficial

statement is published that the Gascon, soon after her arrival at Cape Town, left for Durban bay and Delagoa bay.

BLUE JACKETS FOR ESQUIMAULT ST. JOHNS, Nild., Nov. 12.-The Al-lan liner Carthaginian, which arrived here yesterday from Liverpool, has 150 men for the British squadron at Esquimault, B. C. On their arrival there two warships will be immediately despatched to South Africa to reinforce the British fleet in those waters. CAULDRON OF SMOKE.

ESTCOURT, Thursday, Nov. 9, afternoon .-- A party which rode out sev eral miles about noon to observe the hombardment of Ladysmith, could see a Long Tom, a forty pounder, posted on the railway side of the Bulwara, firing at intervals of six to eight minutes. Another gun was observed in operation a little distance away. Puffs of smoke were discernible on the opposite side, showing that Ladysmith was withstanding a big bombardment. The locality of the town was nothing but a huge cauldron of smoke.

BRUSSELS, Nov. 12.-Herr Leyds brother of Dr. Leyds, and himself an agent of the Transvaal government,

from Ladysmith, which everybod pects to be the theatre of the dy exweek. events during the coming Transports carrying 3,000 British roops are already en route to Dur ban, having passed Cape Town, and the Boers must strike a decisive blow at Ladysmith now or never.

FOUGHT FOR THREE HOURS. LONDON, Nov. 11 .- The war offic has received the following despatch from General Buller, under date of

Cape Town, Nov. 11, afternoon: "With reference to my telegram of the 10th. Col. Gough, with two squad-

rons of the Tenth Hussars, a battery of field artillery and one and one-half companies of 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 sent the mounted infantry to the enemy's left flank to discover their laager. The losses reported yesterday occurred during this

"Col. Gough engaged the enemy for about three hours and then returned to camp. "The death of Lieut. Wood has just

een 'reported.' CAPE TOWN, Wednesday, Nov. 8, night.-Despatches from Kimberley show that the town was vigorously at-

tacked at two different points. It is reported that one of the British force and six Boers were killed. It is be lieved here that the Boers surround the town in force.

LANDED TWENTY GUNS.

DURBAN, Natal, Nov. 8, Wednes lay.—The warships have landed a naval brigade, with twenty guns, for the defence of the town. The brigade marched through the town amid the greatest enthusiasm. LONDON, Nov. 11.-It is officially an-nounced that the troopship Hawarden

1.010 troops. SHELLING MAFEKING.

CAPE TOWN, Nov. 8 .- News re ceived from Mafeking, undated, say that Monday the Boers shelled the town. One Boer gun, it is added, was knocked out of action and the Boers retired, were reinforced, attacked again and were repulsed. Tuesday they shelled the Cangan Copje, with little dam age. Wednesday there was a genera attack under cover of artillery, but was repulsed by the Maxims and Hotchkiss guns. The Boer loss was fifty killed. The British loss was slight. Thursday, shelling by a heavy, gun was renewed, and the Boers man with the intention of making an at-

tack, but this was prevented by a thunder storm. Friday there was desultory rifle fire and an occasional shell, but there was little loss of life, due to the excellence of the shelter in the trenches. The health and spirits of the troops are good.

RHODES PATRONIZES ART. LONDON, Nov. 11 .- A' despatch from Cape Town, dated Wednesday, Nov. 8, ndicates that the American miniaturst, Amelie Hussner, is among the beleaguered people at Kimberley. The despatch adds that Mr. Rhodes is siting to her for a miniature.

KIMBERLEY SURROUNDED. CAPE TOWN, Nov. 11 .- The follow ing despatch, undated, has been received from Kimberley by despatch

into action. The enemy's artillery fire was not damaging and his " shooting was bad. steamer Cordoba raises the doubtfu point whether Great Britain has ye "Our casualties in the Kenilworth

BOERS BEATEN BACK.

firing.

actually declared war. It is believ ngagement were limited to Major however, that European nations have been made acquainted with the sever-ance of relations between Great Brit-Ayleff of the Cape police, who wounded in the neck. He is expected to recover. Later in the day our pick-ets say the Boers carried off six dead ain and the two republics. It is understood that the admiralty, cn rom one spot, probably killed by our General Bullers' advice, has arranged Maxim. The total Boer loss was probthat cruisers at the Cape should go cut to intercept the arriving trans-ports and inform them of the latest ably heavy, but had not been estimated by Col. Kekewich. " "About 5.30 p. m. Col. Turner was orders respecting their destinations,

again in contact with a new body of which are to be kept secret the enemy on Schnest Drift road. From the conning tower a large num-ber could be plainly seen about two miles to the north of the Kimberley reservoir, and others held a walled enclosure on their own right flank. Col. Turner opened with a Maxim and two gins of the Diamond Field artillery sent in support. He came into action at 5.47 p. m. and continued firing until dusk.

"Our further casualties were Private Lubbe of the Cape police, who was shot through the head and who died on arriving at the hospital, and Sergeant Watermarge of the Kimberley division of the Cape police, who

was wounded, but is doing well. "Col. Kekewich is unable to estimate the enemy's losses, but believes they must have been severe, judging from the precipitate retreat of the Boers. "At 6.10 p. m. the enemy opened fire with one piece of artillery from Kam- , Nine troopships, carrying 11,000 men, pers' Dam on Ottoskopje, the latter are due at Cape Town torrorrow pers' Dam on Ottoskopje, the latter being held by the Cape police. The enemy inflicted no damage."

TO COMMAND AT DURBAN. DURBAN, Natal Nov. 8 .- Captain Perry Scott of the first-class protected cruiser Terrible, has been appointed commandant here, in the place of Major Bethune, who will assume comhand of the Mounted Outland corps. The march of the naval brigade, with twenty guns, through the town was an inspiring scene. The band of the Terrible, stationed outside the town hall, played popular airs,, and the crowds along the line of march exhibted intense enthusiasm.

Another batch of Boer prisoners has arrived. The British wounded will go to Cape Town tomorrow.

Since hostilities began there have been small factional fights along the Pondoland border, but otherwise the natives have been quiet. The natives at Maritzburg, however, owing to the situation at Ladysmith, are becoming nervous and beginning to seek places which they think safer.

LONDON, Nov. 14, 4.50 a. m .- The

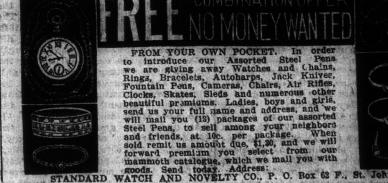
some subordinate, without instruc-tions, hoisted a flag of truce on his own responsibility. Nothing then re-mained but to surrrender. We were sent out, said Father Matthews, to occupy a position with the

object of preventing two Boer forces from joining. We stanted at ha eight Sunday evening. marched ten miles, and got to the hill about one o'clock Monday morning.

The first mishap was that the mot ed battery stampeded and scattered the whole lot of mules. We formed up again and gained the top of the bill. The guns were gone, but not all the

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TROOPSHIPS ARRIVING. LONDON, Nov. 14 .- It is officially annourced that the troopship Armen-ian left Cape Town yssterday (Monday) afternoon for Durban, and that the troopship Orient has arrived at Cape Town with 47 officers and 1,187 LONDON, Nov. 13 .- A despatch from

Cape Town to the war office announces the arrival there today of the troopship Armenian, with three batteries artillery and an ammunition column, and the troopship Nubia, with the Scots Guards and balf a battalion of the Northamptonshire regiment. This brings the total number of reinforcements to 12,802, of which about 6,000 are already on the way to Durban. The Armenian and Nubia, whose troops belong to the first division, will probably also be ordered to proce

(Tuesday). WOULD HAVE HELD OUT. LOURENZO MARQUES, Delagoa Bay, Nov. 9 .- Father Matthews, who has arrived here from Pretoria, says with reference to the surrender of the Irish Fusiliers and the Gloucestershire troops at Nicholson's Nek that, after the mules stampeded, the force got hard pressed by the enemy. They would have held out, however, but