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Jan. 30, 1900. ctoria:

ra space on the to accommodate contingent, but am negotiating n early reply. W. BORDEN. that the prime ction with the overcoming of ly mean the enately. Should a ent be made in tations will proboughout the proout saying that kept constantly the applications. sentiment has ia in her indivis no doubt that go, in the event obviated, a conany contributed the Empire. in this case of ing a central revould constitute adquarters. The ttee, it is undergrounds for the in the realm of arrangement be-

ow is the magic thorities that all of transportation urmounted, and contribute her of men animg ire-to fight for

You can see what done for others, do the same for

and volunteers and 40,000 militia remobilized forthwith. It is even asserted

> dealt with these matters. The Militia Ballot Act makes every thirty years of age liable to serve for

five years, gravest suspicions.

The Jameson Raid. Inspection of Yeomanry. Attempts made to illuminate the con-This morning at the Life Guards Bar-

inspected another contingent of Yeomuch success manry volunteers prior to their depar-Mr. Chamberlain on being asked in regard to a letter sent by Mr. B. F. Hawkure from London to South Africa.

Will Basutos Rise? rica Co., to Earl Grey, formerly British The Times to-day has a dispatch from administrator of Mashonaland, under the date of February 20th, 1897, in Sterkstroom, Cape Colony, reiterating which he said that Mr. Chamberlain he reports that Boer emissaries are diswould have no one but himself to blame ributing leaflets and working through- if the cable dispatches referring to the but Basutoland to incite the tribe to rise negotiations of 1895 were produced before the parliamentary committee of inquiry, replied that they were communi-

Patriotic Fund.

Ottawa, Feb. 2.-The Canadian Patri-otic fund to date is \$94,688.37.

London, Feb. 2 .- The following dispatch

"Col. Wynne has taken command of Gen.

Woodgate's brigade. Col, Miles has been

"A strong cavalry reconnaissance pro

from Spearman's Camp, dated Jan, 30th,

appears in the Daily Telegraph:

works opposite Potgeiter's Drift.

road clear. The enemy was not seen.

British Losses.

numbers 139 men kHled, 391 wounded an

The Fight at Spion Kop.

London, Jan. 31 .- The war office has is-

Honger's Spruit."

Lancashire Fusiliers.

men.

gainst the British. . cations between third parties and he had Plumer's Force at Gaberones. Lorenzo Marquez, Feb. 1 .- A dispatch were exchanged. He assumed that the

rom Gaberones, dated January 23rd, decribing a reconnoissance of some of Col. Hawkesley had declined to produce. The cable messages were sent to him in Plumer's forces around the Boer laager outhward, seems to dispose of the story hat Mafeking has been relieved. On would be no personal objection to their hat date the Rhodesians captured two publication.

Transvaal flags and drove off the Boer outposts before returning to Gaberones. The Premier's Contribution.

Ortawa, Feb. 2 .- Sir Willrid Laurier contributes \$100 to the Canadian Patriotic fund.

The Masona. Capetown, Feb. 2 .- The Supreme Court as decided to make no order of confiscation in the case of the steamship Masona, at present, in order to give her

wners an opportunity to show within ee weeks that she had no intention trade with the enemy. BRITISH ARMY IN AFRICA.

Will Shortly Number Over 200,000 Men. -Cheering News From the Front.

New York. Feb. 2 .- It is to be seen the mass of cable matter printed here his morning that there is a decidedly at Venter's Spruit. The additional list ore cheerful feeling in London. 63 missing, a total of 593. With 174 addi-

The confirming of the report that Bulhad announced that he would reeve Ladysmith, together with the unnfirmed report he had acutally began new forward movement, had a good effect on the public mind. Figures just published have also had eassuring effect, after causing much

onishment. The government annces that it was ascertained before war began that the Boers would put 0,000 in the field. The British in a

ed to give him, sending 50,000 militia to the British engagements regarding with common sense. the searching of vessels. He explained posts on the hills and keep back their main that the government undertook that body until they see the decision of Gen. there should be no search at Aden or Buller's movement. Then they will quick-It is also said that volunteers will be at points more distant from the seat of | ly bring up the main body and extemporize war, but there was nothing to prevent what defensive works they can in addition

the shipping of contraband from inter- to such as they have profusely prepared to-day that the cabinet has specially vening ports. The government, he add- in anticipation of various possible aded, had not surrendered any rights, but vances. on the representations of the German "That is what everyone would expect government and assurances of the mail them to do, and that their main body can for. unmarried man between eighteen and steamer company, Great Britain had ride faster than Gen. Buller's main body acreed, pending further arrangement, can walk is also pretty generally undernct to arrest mail ships except on the stood. The consequence is that the

Boer Army Cannot Be Turned. Wherever it is attacked it can cut an entrenched front, According to Mr. Church-

nection of Mr. Jos. Chamberlain, secre- 111 there are 7,000 Boers watching Ladyracks, Regent Park, the Prince of Wales | tary of state for the colonies, with smith, the same number held ready to the Jameson raid did not meet with resist Gen. Buller, and 5,000 kept in reserve to reinforce either body at need.

> "Thus Gen. Buller has to attack 12,000 men entrenched on favorable ground. For esley, counsel for the British South Af- that purpose Mr. Churchill thinks he ought to have 35,000 men instead of 25,000. In Tinned milk and matches are commandeerother words, Gen. Buller ought to have ing. Liquor is scarce. another division. This opinion coincides with the view we have all along evpressed the hospital work and constantly passing to and fro under shell fire. that the centre of gravity of the war lies

in Natal, and that a British victory there would be decisive, while a complete British defeat in Natal would have disastrous read a telegram received by the Queen from the Mayor of Mefeking, dated Januconsequences not to be estimated. "It seems difficult, in view of the strat-

egy accepted at the war office as well as no knowledge of them at the time they at Capetown, to believe that Gen. Buller Mafeking sends loyal devotion to 'Her Majesty and assurances of its continued is to be allowed once more to attack a cable dispatches were those which Mr. position with less than the numerically superiority of 3 to 1, which tacticians commonly think necessary for such a task. It Queen is much touched and gratified at 1896 for confidential perusal, and he re- is hardly intelligible that he should attack the receipt of this message. turned them with a letter saying there again without being reinforced. "Apparently, however,

A Third Attempt

will be made without loss of time. Indeed, it seems probable that the movement is now in progress. We must hope that the retarned to Sunnyside langer after the splendid bravery of our men will be rewarded." Mr. Churchill says that "the public must nerve themselves." He probably means here, this morning. When word was "Prepare our countrymen at home for heavy losses in the coming battle."

appointed chief of Gen. Buller's staff. The Mr. Winston Churchill's dispatch from Boers are still constructing defensive Pietermaritzburg, in addition to details respecting the position on the Tugela, gives a most interesting survey of the general ceeded to-day westward in the vicinity of position. He says: "The most serious at tacks upon the war office appear unjust.

Spearman's Camp, Tuesday, Jan. 30-The great army in South Africa is of the Lord Dundonald's reconnaissance in the finest quality, beautifully organized and direction of Honger's Spruit found the equipped in all details, and with excellent The Boer guns are few but artillery. splendid, and are cleverly handled. The

Boers can find the range of moving tarsued an additional casualty list of the bat- gets at 7,000 yards often at the first shot of our guns. We cannot explain how."

FORCES IN SOUTH AFRICA.

cussing the War,

beginning of the war is placed at 9,658 House of Commons to-day, said, in an-London, Feb. 1 .- The war office com swer to a question, that while the military which Mr. William Johnston, Conservative letes this evening the list of the British operations were proceeding he could not member for South Belfast, promptly inter-answer any inquiries as to the slaughter jected: "Bucause they are rebels." casualties at Spion Kop, announcing the names of 215 missing men of various of the Highlanders at Magersfontein. regiments, including 137 members of the

ected as the base from which to invade | ers were, as long as they did not become the Free State. personal, in order. It is learned that the war office intends o increase the regular army by lifteen not meant to insult anyone, but looking battalions of infantry, adding those to the back upon the historical record of The

existing regiments. lrish race, J thought myself justified." The cost of the war to the end of the | This was followed by renewed Irish profiscal year, March 31, is estimated at £20 .- ; tests and 000,000. The House of Commons has already granted £10,000,000, and the Times and Mr. Dillon exclaimed: "Some English says the other £20,000,000 will be asked soldiers get behind Irish soldiers."

Mr. Redmond said: "This will be nice The Times Capetown correspondent says reading in Pretoria." "As a military train was traversing Hex Mr. Dillon exclaimed: "Thrice as many River pass to-day an unknown individual Irish soldiers as English have been killed fired a shotgun and killed a soldier. The in the Transvaal." occurrence of this outrage so near Capetown suggests the advisability of reconsid-

ary 27th, and in the following terms:

acy in this town."

sends the following:

"Upon the hundredth day of the slege

resolve to maintain Her Majesty's suprem-

The Court Olreidar announces that the

retired from the hill, after looting farms,

this evening that it is the Queen's inten-

before the mounted infantry got there."

For Valor.

The Boers Retired.

Mr. Balfour, the scene of recrimination continuing, appealed to the House to re ering the decision not to enforce martial frain, and the Speaker' succeeded in perlaw throughout the Colony." suading Col. Saunderson to withdraw the Situation at Mafeking. expression. 110

Mafeking, Jan. 17 .- Slege rations of BY CABLE FROM LONDON bread and meat have only now been enforced. Oats intended for horses are not saved to supply the troopers if needed.

The Pacific Cable Scheme-Committee at Work-Eastern Extension Company Seek-Lady Sarah Wilson is pluckily attending ing Concessions from Australia.

Cries of "Coward!"

London, Feb. 3 .- As the House of Con mons was about adjourning Mr. Balfour (Associated Press.)

> Toronto, Feb. 3 .- The Globe's London correspondent cables that Hon. Jos Chamberlain, replying to a question in the House of Commons regarding the Pacific cable scheme, said two meetings of the committee have been held, and the committee was now engaged making inquiries into the technical character of the scheme. However, the colonial secretary had no doubt that there would

be no unavoidable delay. Montreal, Feb. 2.-The Star's corres-

pondent with the Canadian contingent the Eastern Extension Company is employing all its energies at present to "Belmont, Feb. 1.-A rebel force of 200 attempt to secure valuable concessions from Australia for the proposed South Terontos and Queenslanders drove them African line.

oct last month. The rebels occupied Thorn The same correspondent says he has 1.411, some distance to the northwest of has ordered three thousand more tons brought here, orders were given for the of hay from Canada. lispatch of a relief force, and the mount-J. G. Colmer, for many years secretary id troops of the garrison here sortied out in the high commissioner's office, it is against the rebels. The Boers had reunderstood, will shortly resign to take ceived word of their coming, for they had

a position in the city of London. AN ISLAND RAILWAY.

London, Feb. 2.-The Gazette indicates Proposed Road From Horseshoe Bay to Nanaimo Lakes. Thence to the Headwaters of Alberni Canal.

(Special to the Times.)

Ottawa, Feb. 2 .- Application will be made this session for an act to incorpor ate a company to build a railway (standard or narrow gauge) for the car-

rying of passengers and freight from some point on Horseshoe Bay, Nanaimo, Vapcouver Island, thence in a north. westerly direction by a convenient and feasible route to a point on Nanaimo

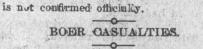
Lakes, and thence to a point at the head of Alberni Canal, with power to build a branch line to the headwaters of Che- the latest this morning." mainus river, and to build and operate tramways in connection therewith, and This caused Mr. Dillon, Irish National to construct branch lines and all necessary bridges with roadways and ferries, and to build, own and maintain wharves

London, Feb. 1.-Details of the fight at | throne. He said the country's military | Mr. Timothy Healy, Nationalist member | and docks.

ign :Lomnard of Waterburg, Gobelair of Col. Saunderson, resuming, said: "I have Bremersdorp, Opperman of Pretoria, Danielerasmus of Magaliersberg and

one Free State cornet. The British artiflery broke seven Boer

guns. The Boer casualties were approximately one thousand, though information



Eleven Hundred Killed and Six Hundred Wounded-Free Staters Refuse to Fight.

Sterks Spruit, Jan. 29 .- Commandant Olivier, of Orange Free State, in . speech to the Boers at Lady Grey sid his men were almost surrounded at Stormberg, and unless recruits were forthcoming he would be compelled to abandon the position. It is admitted that in the recent fight at Ladysmith the Boers lost 1,100 killed and 600 wounded.

Many colonists who fought at Stormberg have gone to their farms and refuse to return to active service, though threatened with death. Among these are some conspicuous burghers who originally invited the Free Staters to invade Cape Colony.

-0-IS BULLER ADVANCING?

The correspondent says he learns that Joubert Goes to Boer Camp on the Up per Tugela-Burghers Are Be-

coming Uneasy.

New York, Feb. 3 .- Very little news of the situation in Africa found its way learned that the Imperial government out of London during the past twentyfour hours. Much work is in progress on the southern frontier of the Free State, but details are being held back until results can be reported.

That is the impression made by such dispatches as are allowed to come through from Sterkstroom and from

French's campinear Colesburg. The report that Boer losses at Spion Kop on Wednesday last exceeded one thousand dead, although unconfirmed, created favorable impression and very

few are disposed to discredit it. The Morning Leader believes Buller has begun a movement toward Ladysmith. The article says: "Buller ware probably engaged soon after noon yesterday (Friday) if his artillery and annnitions had come up. In any case his orders were definite for an advance at

There is no actual news to support the statement of the Leader, but several London papers confess to believe what Buller is pushing toward Ladysmith. Warren's troops on Wednesday were still

tion to confer the Victoria Cross on Cap tains Congreve and Reed, Lieut, Roberts und Corp. Nurse for their attempts to save the guns at the battle of Colepso. IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

Lively Times in the House of Commons. London, Feb. 2 .- Mr. John Macnelli, anti-

Parnellite, enlivened the session of the

House of Commons to-day by asking ques-tions regarding the Irish militia. Among other things he asked why the Irish militiamen were sent away from Ireland, to

Sir Charles Dilke resumed the debate on ist, to exclaim: "Irish rebels, are good

Lord Edmund Fitzmaurice's amendment to enough for you to fight behind in the

tle of Spion Kop and of the engagements tional casualties given for the fighting at Venter's Spruit; the total loss since the

London, Feb. 1.-Mr. Balfour, in the

the address in reply to the speech from the Transvaal."

Statement in the House of Commons-Dis