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## Pigeon Post Despatches From Lady-Ismith Tell of the Fight.

sued the following at \$1:40 p. m. yesterday: "Buller to the secretary of

"Cape Town, Nov. 5, 8.40 p. m.-The commandant at Durban sends the following, received from Ladysmith by pigeon post, dated Friday, Nov. 3: "Yesterday Gen. French went out with cavalry and field artillery and effectively shelled the Boer laager,

without loss on our side. "Lieut. Egerton, of the Powerful, is

"Col. Brecklehurst, with cavalry, field artillery, the Imperial Light Horse and Natal mounted volunteers was engaged to-day with the enemy to the southwest of Ladysmith. The fighting lasted several hours. Our loss was very small.

"The bombarbment of Ladysmith

continued yesterday and to-day, many Boer shells being pitched into the

Boer shells being productions.

"Our troops are in good health and spirits, and the wounded are doing well." (Message ends.)

I think that Gen. French's name is given by mistake for Brecklehurst.

BOER CAMP CAPTURED.

A special despatch from Ladysmith, describing Thursday's fighting, says: "The artillery duel at dawn, in which the Boers' guns were silenced, was in-tended to occupy the Boers and to en-

London, Nov. 6.—The war office isued the following at \$11:40 p. m. yeserday: "Buller to the secretary of the forwar:

"Green Target Nov. 5, 8,460 p. m. The Conduction which destroyed the arrow." Omdurman, which destroyed the army of Khalifa Abdulah, a large number of dervishes were killed by suffocation, while hundreds of vultures and eagles fell upon the battlefield from the same

COMPLETELY SHUT OUT.

The correspondent of the Times at Ladysmith under date of November 2, confirms the report of artillery ex-changes. He says: "The investment of dead. Gen. Joubert sent in Maj. C. S. Kincaid, of the Royal Irish Fusiliers, and nine wounded prisoners. Eight Boers were sent out in exchange, no others being fit to travel.

Brokleanst viith cavalry. power and that they are therefore anx ious to have us get up all our military

ious to have us get up all our military stores before they attack us.

"A reconomissance by Lancers and a field battery to day found a Free State langer which the British shelled heavily, driving the Boers out."

Another special from Ladysmith describing the engagement at Bester's hill, says the Boers were completely routed and suffered heavy loss. Their entire camp was captured. The correspondent goes on to say: "An arentire camp was captured. The cor-respondent goes on to say: "An ar-tillery duel is in progress. A British shell struck a Boer 40-pounder and completely wrecked it."

A TERRIFIC LUEL.

ial despatch from Ladysmith, graph of the Boers and to engage occupy the Boers and the

fired straight and some of the British were hit. A terrible artillery duel has been proceeding for over three hours. So far the paval guns are the only ones that have engaged the enemy." WAR NOTES.

Troop ships are sailing for South Africa every day. The Kildonan Castle on Saturday carried 3,000 men and a great quantity of equipment. This breaks the world's record.

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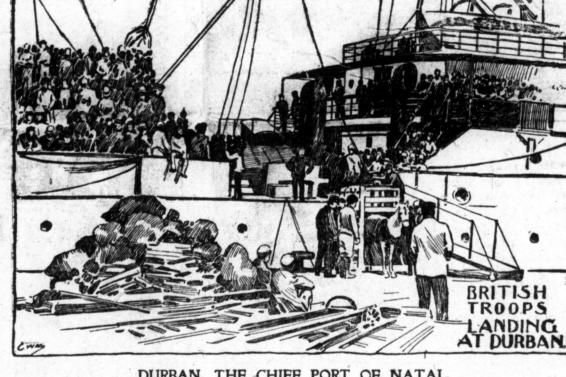
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DURBAN, THE CHIEF PORT OF NATAL

England is landing most of her troops at Durban, from which a railroad runs north to Pietermaritzbut z, the cap-Ital of Natal; Ladysmith, Newcastle and Charlestown, the latter being near the Transvaal border.

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The two commanders continue to ex-change courtesies. Gen. White, in response to Gen. Joubert's request, lent the Boers an ambulance to assist in the conveyance of the Boer wounded.

al" border rifles started under Gen. French at sunrise and got within striking distance before the enemy was aware of their presence. A field battery was also sent and it secured a good position commanding the enemy camp, which was a large one, laagered, with army wagons and other vehicles.

"Besler's hill was well fortified and provided with good guns. At nine o'clock' the British opened fire, the Boers replying with spirit but bad aim. The British quickly sent a 42-pound shell into the camp inflicting terrible loss and spreading panic among the enemy. Our cavalry then stormed the position, the Boers fleeing precipi-tately, leaving many wounded, as well as the whole camp and equipment in the hands of the British. This success will upset the plans of the Orange Free State commanders and, possibly will prevent them giving the British further trouble from the west.

A SANGUINARY BATTLE. Thie Times publishes a despatch from Pietermaritzburg. Natal, dated Nov. 3, which says: "The British resi-dents have received news of a sang-uinary battle fought yesterday (Thurs-day) probably between Ladysmith and Colenso. A large number of the Boers were killed, many being relatives of the Dutch residing in this place. This likely refers to the foregoing.

WHY THEY ARE WAITING. London, Nov. 6.—The general belief in London is that the Boers are now waiting for more guns from Pretoria before attacking Ladysmith. The fact that Sir Redvers Buller appears to have ordered a retirement from Stormberg, Colenso and other places relieves to some extent the public mind, which otherwise would have been farther alarmed.

Transports have just been secured for the Woolwich Howitzer brigade, which will be hurried to the Cape. The

his chief purpose—the capture of the able positions near the town and com-Boer camp behind Besler's hill. For this purpose the Lancers, Hussars, Na-At 6 o'clock this morning Gen. White ordered the bombardment of the enmy and the blue jackets opened the ball. The Boers replied vigorously. They



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