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TISH FORCES LOS

Boers Capture 1,500 Officers and Men and a Mountain Battery.

Troops Fought Bravelv Until Their by the Boers. It is simply a case of the large mention the disaster, and no telegram from Ladysmith munition, The reserve was advices from the British commander. The infantry battalions, how have been brought on the belief that some harders and the guileless British on the British commander. The infantry battalions, how have been brought on the belief that some harders and accommander. Ammunition Ran Out.

This Shocking Disaster Makes Gen. White's Position Dangerous.

Queen Victoria Expresses Sympathy for Gen. White and His Officers-France Delighted at the British Defeat.

after losing heavily were obliged to capitulate. Gen. White adds that the casualies have not yet been ascertained. The following is the text of General

with the Indian contingent and the Netal volunteers, all under the comcommand of General Sir George Stewart White. Its surrender or capture by as-sault before General Buller and his sault before General Buller and his army corps can reach the theatre of war would be a crushing blow to the English arms and greatly prelong the war, in the indirect result of allowing the Boers to overrun all Natal, in its indirect result of its effect upon the wavering loyalty of the Cape Dutch and the natives, and in its moral effect upon the nations who may be contemplating intervention or at least compensation for any English acquisition in South Africs.

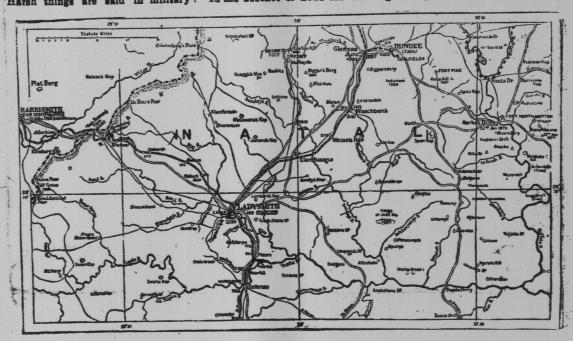
Ladysmithitselfis an unimportant town Ladysmith itself is an unimportant town of perhaps 3,000 inhabitants, 180 miles up the railroad from Durban on the coast, and at the junction of the branches which run, one into the Transvaal through Laing's Mek Pass and the other into the Orange Free State through wan Reenan's Pass. These two passes a the most accessible of a number

commanding the British forces at Lady the Dutch Republic and the Free State. coal from the fields near Dundee smith, reporting that the Rayal Irish It therefore is at the base of the trian-Fasiliers, No. 10 Mountain Battery and gular Klip River district, which may be points are on the highest of the terraces estershire regiment were sur- described as a tringular promontory of cf Natal which rise from the sea towards British territory it

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London, Oct. 31.—The war office has which pierce the Drakensburg Moun-received a despatch from Gen. White, tains, which are the natural rampart of a short length of railway, by which the miles northward into the Transvasl and trict from the due west, the traveller sees ending at Charlestown, or more exactly, in front of him, crowning the horizon, at Laing's Nek. Here the frontiers of the sharp escarpment of the Baggarethe three states meet. The base of this berg, a minor ridge which runs from triangle is about 120 miles across and east to west, from Imputshrini to Glen-



WAR MAP OF NATAL.

The British Fought Bravely Before

LONDON, Nov. 1 .- The British war office today made public a despatch received from Gen. White describing the operations of Monday. It was as fo'-LADYSMITH, Oct. 31, 7.50 p. m.—I took

out from Ladysmith a brigade of mounted troops, two brigade divisions of the Royal Artillery, the Natal fiel! battery and two brigades of infantry to recon and two brigades of infantry to reconnoiter in force the snemy's main position to the north, and, if the opportunity should offer, to capture the hill behind Farqubar's farm, which had, on the previous day, been held in a rength by the enemy. In connection with this advance, a column, consisting of the Tenth Mountain Artilery, four helf companies of the Gloucesters and six companies of the Royal Irish Fasiliers, the whole under Lieut. Col. Carleton and Mail Adve. deputy assistant adjutant whole uncer hieut. Col. Care. On and Major Adye, deputy assistant adjustant general, were despatched at 11 r. m. on the 29th to march by night up Belt's Spruit and seize Nicholson's Nek, or some position near Nicholson's Nek, thus turning the enemy's right flank. The main advance was successfully carried

Some cough mixtures smother the cough. But the next breeze fans it into life again.

Better put the cough out. That is, better go deeper and smoother the fires of inflammation. Troches can not do this. Neither can plain cod-liver oil.

But Scott's Emulsion can. The despatch further says—

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circles of the British tactics, which ave made possible the ambush of the 18th Hussars at Glencoe and now the loss of two fine regiments. It is feared that Sir George White is no match for for the Boers in that cunning by which Boer tactics are conceived; and it is pointed out that, if the British commanders continue to lead their men into traps further disasters must be looked for.

| A medical officer and parties to render first aid to the wounded were despatched to the scene of action from Ladysmith last night and the ambulance at dawn this morning. treated our wounded with humanity, Gen. Joubert at once despatching a letter to me offering a safe conduct to doctors and ambulances to remove the wounded. A medical officer and parties to render first sid to the wounded were despatched to the scene of action from Ladysmith last night and the ambulance at dawn this morning.

The want of success of the column was due to the misfortune of the mulas etampeding and the consequent loss of the guns and smill arm sammunition and the reserve.

The official list of casualties and practice are understood to have been sent by rail to Pretorie.

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OPINIONS OF PROMINENT MEN

Of Various Phases of the Campaign in South Africa -LONDON, Nov. 1-Lord George Hamilton, secretary of state for India, speaking at Ealing this evening regarding the situation in South Africa, said: "Our ultimate victory is certain; and when the terms which we as victors will propose to the vanquished are known foreign nations will see that the main cause which has forced us to embark upon this conflict is not a desire of peruniary profit or of territorial aggrandizement, but a

Dimfries. said:—
'It is not the fault of the statesmen of

the Transvani that we have not become embroiled with some European bower. If hostilities had not come when they did they would have come at some mo-ment of national danger and difficulty." Baron Tweedmouth, former parlia-mentary secretary to the treasury, speak-ing at Etingurgh, said:—

"The public mind has not been so moved since the news of the dreadfal moved since the news of the dreadfal events of the Indian mutiny. We, unfortunately, are warring with a nation of the same stock and religion as ourselves. At this criefs all hearts go on to the brave Boers and to the small British army in Natal, which against fearful odds has performed magnificent feats of valor. It is not the time to call our opponents names or to utter cries o our opponents names or to utter cries o vengence, but to back up Her Majesty's ministers, who have a fearful, yes an awful, responsibility upon their she

The Earl of Carrington, Liberal, speak-