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the new government. Loyalty pays best in the end. Loyalty alone is morthy of a nation which has shed the great British Empire. The result of his writing is a book which he ist blood for freedom.

the Dutch, translated into rather Stonewall Jackson, a man of large ment, the country and the nation to through by the troops with their they could find in the neighborhood, which then overpowered me. For trite English and published by Chas. eyed faith—a fanatic, if you please— surrender 3,000 men in such a way. bayonets. De Wet says: Seribner's Sons. This book is full of who is always praising God, giving Even the burghers themselves cannot "And the Boer women — did they ahead of them two or three hundred their own people and this, not bethat heart interest with which rhet- thanksgiving, observing the humilia- be held to have been altogether with- lose courage with this before their burghers they would halt and bring cause they were hostile to their gov- can insure the peace of the world. orie has absolutely nothing to do. It tion days most meekly—tenderness it out guilt, though they can justly eyes? By no means. As when the their guns (which were usually placed ernment or to the greatness of Engseen at the start that De Wet is self toward his men and their ani- plead that they were only obeying capturing of women, or, rather, the in the middle of the column) to the

writer, and we like this, for it mals and toward his prisoners ("I orders." der until his president had given his Spartan must have presented. He is during the latter part of the war, emy. Many a smart, well-bred daugh- wish to remain under fire they-would Yes, wearied, battered, embattled

shell fell into the position held by

After De Wet was forced into the

order to escape he decided on climb-

Near by there was a Kaffir hut,

"Right before us-can a man cross

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Magalies mountains and asked :

Boers had blown up or broken up the land."

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ters heretofore successfully back- graphy. more and more upon the amazing na- His name be praised!" inforcements provided by their gov- 1900, he says : ernments had little to do. Here was

railroad and every depot, for years Ing a term of imprisonment for high er, which averted misfortune from unconquered in a land occupied on treason, had a share in the transacevery hand by their enemies; never tion." fearing to face and attack there, cap- De Wet's dictum with reference to in the Higher Power! Our Boer turing from them the great bulk of Prinzloo's request of an armistice is: Cromwell never faltered in that, no their supplies, their hand arms, their "A more senseless course of action matter what might betide feld guns, their horses, their oxen could hardly be imagined. The Boer and much of their clothing, making army, as anybody could see, was in Transvaal and was returning to the letted marches over seen ingly im- a very tight place. Did its officers Orange Free State, he encountered passable mountains, fording seeming- think the English would be so fool- some of the greatest difficulties of his by unfordable rivers; making swift ish as to grant an armistice at such whole campaign. His horses were exalgal detours and attacks, doubling a time-when all the burghers want- hausted and the English were closing upon their foe, when they seemed ed was a few days in which to effect in upon him in mighty numbers. In just within their hands; running their escape?" away in the darkness and facing Of General Roux's action in respect ing the Magalies mountains without about suddenly in an attack in which to the surrender our historian has a path or a road! He tells of this they always gave a good account of this to say :

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beginning to end? A miracle of God What is the God-fearing De Wet's with an unbiased mind, but even his vigorous English-translated Dutch now apparent to those who had per- on this subject and see

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their bald and crude narration they reader for the inevitable defeat, but more and more frequent during the barbarities? No. Any one knows But even when the British were bearare worth reams of ornate scroll he makes it appear that this defeat last period of the war. But they that in war cruelties more horrible ing down upon the little army and work by brilliant correspondents who could have been avoided; and his ar- would never have thought of them at than murder can take place, but that threatening them at every step they bring to bear their ready-made gument, to which he brings unaccept- all if they had not been instructed in such direct and indirect murder did not lack the native resources that phrases and their illimitable stock of able support, might be accepted if he them by the National Scouts - our should have been committed against cheated their foes. The English adjectives. For here is the" heart would add that all the men in the own flesh and blood !"

tells it gives more lucidity to mat- part of his writing were autobio- British. On one occasion a lyddice tion. And yet it happened." grounded by the British. Aside from He lays the ultimate defeat to Commandant Steenekamp near Beth-

the many revelations made as to the Prinzloo's weakness and strongly lehem and struck a rock behind which internal workings of the war, the in- suggested duplicity, to the Kaffirs were twenty-five horses. Without a the 500 pages of the book centers scouts. And yet "God willed it so- ed. A young bugler, while riding be-

hind a ridge and thus quite hidden tive resources of the Boers-resources As to the surrender of General from the enemy, was struck by a with which actual supplies and rePrinzloo, which occurred on July 29, bomb and both he and his horse were blown to atoms. Yet with the

"The circumstances of this surren- tremendous shelling from the British a miserably armed, poorly fed, irreg- der were so suspicious that it is hard that was always going on there were warly formed little army of men-a to acquit the man who was respon- comparatively few casualties. De Wet mere handful as compared with their sible for it of a definite act of treach says that he does not want to imply terribly ponderous foe, with no fac-lery, and the case against him is all that the British artillery were pool no outlet to the more grave from the fact that shots. "I ascribe our comparative imthe sea and soon shut off from every Vilonel, who was at that time serv- munity," he says, "to a Higher Pow-

"It was nothing short of an act of

the eyes of everyone who looks at judgment upon this surrender? Read there?

"Yes, baas," long ago. To me De Wet now seems a sort of murder, committed on the govern-"Baboons do, but not a man."

fir answered.

"Come on," I said to my burghers. This is our only way, and where a

corporal, who came from the district of Bethlehem and was a sort of jocular character. He looked up at ocular character. He looked up at the mountains, 2,000 feet above him. and sighed, "Oh, Red Sea !" I replied, "The children of Israel

first Red Sea we have met with and will not be the last." We climbed up unobserved to a bitof bush which, to continue the met-

of bush which, to continue the met-

The author is very caustic in his censure of the British in regard to their mistreatment of the Boer women. He says that proclamations had been issued by Lord Roberts prescribing that any building within ten

stroyed by dynamite, and worse still, tacking forces and kept them from furniture and the grain were burnt following him too closely. It was a could still shoot. Of this unhappy veldt. and the sheep, cattle and horses were common thing for his seasoned men loss he says carried off. Nor was it long before of the veldt to deceive the British "My feelings on that day I can horses were shot down in heaps and the sheen killed by thousands by Kat of his writing is a local with make fools of them. The lawer forget. These Englishmen who alls "Three Years' War," set forth burghers who had the best horses go by the name of pro-Boers are the firs and National Scouts or run would remain behind any rise or kop best fitted to describe the anguish When the enemy approached and saw they stood up for justice even against g capturing of women, or, rather, the in the middle of the column), to the war against them and against the front When they had got the guns were not without moral sense, be an exhaustive defense of Morgan's with the character of a pitied the poor Tommies," he ex- In reference to the treachery of the possessions of the Boers commenced in position they would bombard the cause they could not stifle conscience shipping combination made by Lord and yet preserving such a Boer scouts, he says that the Eng- they took to bitter flight, to remain ridge behind which the burghers were at the expense of justice nor identify Charles Beresford, vice admiral of solder who never who never the form to the form as Lycurgus the lish only learned the art of scouting at least out of the hands of the en-

der until his place until his the English would continue bombard, and the symsincere chieftain, full of vigor, the and of some of the lesser chiefs who deserters," he declares, "were our hands of the pursuers as long as posing the hill and would send flanking pathy of its greatest living poet, who matic trade alliance between Great washington, Jan. 3.—General. parties to the right and left. Some wrote of the onslaught upon you times it would take the English sev- "Thrust back again the long-foiled eral hours before they could make sure that there were no Boers behind Into the night-into the night

Britons is rather difficult of accept. Free State, and harassed the British Lord Charles Beresford's conversion to Chena, and it is believed that

and attack it, although, as in our De Wet's figures differ from bound stage, it was a line with several who said the Boers had 60,000 men thousand troops. The guard would scatter and the Boers would help to the bound of the Boers would help to the bound of the Boers would help to the British uldealt severe blows to their enemy.

he cannot do, for he is as devoid of to time to the frightful effect of lyd- could never have happened in a war Brak and Orange rivers, neither of

He says that was the reason why he anything could save us-no, not im- of questioning. This involved night business. By trying to achieve a

The tale of how a party of thirty- divided his command into small de between any of the great world has begun. Only 150 miles of line reix Boers caused the retreat of 800 tachments in various districts of the powers.

When the daring Boers wanted production and there was an English more. He could not be but to no talk of naval and parliamentary circuisions and there was an English more. He could not be but to no cles. wagon train anywhere within easy riding distance, they would dash out As to the forces engaged in the war

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The story of the struggle as he self-consciousness throughout as if no dite, used so unsparingly by the waged by the civilized English na- which could be crossed, as they were

was obliged to take along with him possible-a rescue was at hand." attacks, forced marches, the cutting community of business interests and so many young lads, hardly able to In the darkness of the quickly com- of much barbed wire and the loss of methods between America and Eng-

The story of his attempt to enter a ford, crossed the Orange river and feel the chafing of the yoke of mas- of the money it makes for the indi-Cape Colony, with a large body of was soon well out of reach of the tery? None, while still remains that vidual but for the general good of the specified radius, but also every- British troops at his rear, is very British. But the way was strewn soul of liberty of which no man ever the country." where throughout the state. Every-interesting. Here he details some of with cast-off equipment. He had to made conquest, and while the brave. Asked what he thought of the Ven leave behind, with other things, the burghers still feel the wild air of exuelan situation he brought his hand

This starting declaration is the Monroe doctrine, but, by heavens, we the British navy, on the eve of his

is the beginning of a natural auto-Britain and the United States which W. Greeley, chief of the United will make war between these two States Signal Corps, announced to countries an impossibility, and by its day that the work on the last link tremendous moral influence practical of the overland telegraph line to But the end was now near De Wet ly eliminate the danger of a clash Nome and St. Michael across Alaska

ance, but De Wet tells it for a fact as much as possible until the close to the new shipping trust, which is within three months it will be possible until the close and not without gentle touches of of the peace negotiations, when they playful gravity.

I aid down their arms He went to will accept a high position in the

Lord Charles is anxious to secure the command of the channel squadand attack it, although, as in one case, it was a line with several to the forces engaged in the war case, it was a line with several to the forces engaged in the war con, which is the last promotion the admiralty can confer upon him before not at all certain that Lord Charles themselves to the supplies and drive timately placed 250,000 men. At the will get the coveted assignment. He away the exen, attached to heavy close of the war only one-third of has made himself very unpopular wagons full/of eatables, blankets and rifles. In this way they very often dealt sovers blank to their enemy of the original Boer army was fit for the old fogyism of the honorable general service. will accept the berth that J. Pier Lord Charles will sail for New York on the Kaiser in March. On the eve of his departure he said in part "If I can teach the people here to

adopt American business methods, we de'enseless women and children is a thought they were running De Wet Good meals, good beds, good bar, can then have greater inter-communwork, which must move the most un- ranks were De Wets. This, of course, De Wet makes reference from time thing I should have staked my head into a cul de sac in the forks of the Scott C Holbrook, proprietor. Take ication of capital and interests bewhich could be crossed, as they were swollen by the rains. "At our front, which brings you to the door and America get on a sharing basis the at our back, on our left," says De saves you three miles travel on the world will not dare to interiere with

these little ones became a prey to ing flank intovement, making a detour Such were the men who fought the toward its being a century of peace. the bullets of the enemy and the around the enemy. The next day he three years' war of which the daunt- "You put your brightest men into South African soil is stained with marchet his wearied burghers twen- less Free Stater has written. Con- business. We put them into politics, the blood of children slain by Eng- ty-three miles with nothing to eat quered? Yes, but who shall tame the army and the navy. That has all day long. In this way he reached such spirits, who shall make them got to be changed, not for the sake

"Thank God," he exclaimed, "it has come out all right. But it has taught our government a lesson that it must never try its hand against such a game without the eartnership of the United States.

"I don't say a word against Gernany. But I do think it is to Figland's advantage to come right out and not only say 'We support the

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