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practice. What does hapthat the recalcitrant revoked, and he is coned to take an early op. rawing from the camp

LITARY BALL

elected as the Date for Annual Dance of e Fifth. are being made for the essful ball of the Fifth will take place on Dee following committees have been appointed: Williams; secretary, assistant secretary lulcahy; treasurer, Gr. refresh ent committee Short, Penketh, Stev le: floor laying commit-Colby and Mallancommittee, Corporal f-Sergeant McLean, rs. Lawson, Gill, Lusdmaster Finn; music, Mulcahy, Bandmaster igor: reception, Major nt-Major Mulcahy, Cororporal McTavish and ster of ceremonies, Ser-leahy; floor managers, ogramme committee. orporal Worlock, Grs. Lawrie and Johnston

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ched battle on Tuesday ngold, Tex., between a United States Cavalry ng at the fort, and a that place. Three thouto have been fired dur-

of Improvements. OTICE.

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I, A. S. Going, agent free miner's certificate almer, free miner's cer-and B. H. John, free No. 50,601a, intend, le date hereof, to apply order for a certificate of



ing."

Methuen's Victory Captain C, A. Yates, Lieut. C. H.

Casualties in the Fight Near Graspan Numbered One Hunment engaged were: Killed, 10; wounddred and Ninety-Eight. ed, 71; missing, 9.

DISPATCH FROM BULLER. Yorkshires and Naval Brigade Ladysmith Reports All Well-Death of Bore the Sount of the

All Well at Ladysmith--Despatch-From General Buller-The Lancers Are Safe.

Battle.

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Nov. 24th, said all was well." (Associated Press.) London, Nov. 28 .- A dispatch has been received here from Gen. Buller giving the firing on one of the Red Cross flag, the list of casualties among the troops engaged in what has been known here previously reported. Have accepted explanation as satisfactory. as the battle of Graspan, but which is now officially designated the battle of died of his wounds. The other wounded Enslin. are generally doing well. The health of It proves that the British success was the troops, is good. heavily bought. The losses announced to-day, added to the naval brigade castured on the armored train south of ualties previously noted, makes the Colenso, were sent here to-day." grand total of 198 as the cost of Gen. of the armored train on Friday, Nov. Methuen's second battle. The Yorkshires apparently bore, with 24th, were killed: Lieut. F. Owen Lewis. Bombay Infantry, and one private; the naval brigade, the brunt of the fighting, as there were, in addition to three wounded one officers, forty-eight of the rank and file 26th, Lieut. J. C. Sterling and one killed, wounded and missing. trooper of the Ninth Lancers were The fact that the list contains the casualties of the Ninth Lancers seems to dispose of the fears that the cavalry was surrounded and captured, especially as

There is no Cause for any Anxiety Renone of the Lancers are reported "missgarding the South African Situation Little News Received.

Lient. Lethbridge-Arrival of

"Lieut. Lethbridge, Rifle Brigade,

"Six wounded Dublin Fusiliers, cap-

The casualties in the reconnaissance

In the reconnaissance of Sunday, Nov.

MILITARY EXPERT'S OPINION.

Wounded Fustiers

Nov. 28th:

Apparently the government is monop-New York, Nov. 28 .- The military erpert of the London Morning Post, in the olizing the single cable working to South review of the war cabled here says: Africa, as up to two o'clock this after-"For the first time since the war benoon no news from the seat of war has an, one is able to look at the map of been received with the exception of Gen. South Africa with feelings of satisfac Buller's dispatches. This is particulartion. It was impossible to draw any ly tantalizing at the present crucial moalong the railway line in Natal. Now.

wounded.

however, the junction of these several While the latest news is of a very reparts has brought relief, if not to Ladyassuring character from the British smith, at least to those watching the point of view, much of it, on insufficient situation with a full sense of its gravity. "Now that we are beginning to mak vidence, is assumed to be true headway against the Boers, it is possible seems restless. For instance, the reported capture of to take an interest in the movement of Honeynest Kloof, of which there is no the enemy. General Joubert is likely to confirmation, and the stories of the rapid make a fight at Colenso. "General Buller's first business in Na retirement of the Boers in Natal must be tal, naturally, is the relief of Ladyreceived with caution. smith After that, when the invaders The fact appears to be that the Britare compelled to retreat on Pretoria. the ish scouts have lost touch with the Natal force will get its chance. burghers, a portion of whose forces, af-"It seems unlikely that an attempt will be made to force the passes of the Drakter withdrawing out of the reach of obenberg. The passes will open of their servers, may make a detour with the obown accord when the sounds of the ject of interrupting the British line of flanking army is behind them anywhere communication. from the Wynberg road to the Vaal. "There is nothing alarming in the cir-Gaitacre's Advance. cumstance that we have not heard from Sharp fighting may be expected at any General Methuen since the fight at Grastime on the southern fronier. It is pospan. He, doubtless, is waiting for a complete list of our losses, and only pure sible Gen. Gatacre's first battle will be ignorance as to the return of the mountin the rough passes of the Stormberg ed contingent makes us anxious for mountains. news.

received from Buller a list of casualties Boers shelled the train, killing Lewis horses?' Gen. Joubert added: 'I am and a private. at the battle of Enslin, on Nov. 25th Gen. Methuen then advanced. His It shows that among the wounded of the column made a detour and bivouacked Second Yorkshire Light Infantry were for the night at Swink's Pan, three miles

from the Boer position. At dawn the advance began, the Farnyhough and Lieut. C. H. Akroyd. Guards forming the reserve. The column debouched on the plain eastward of The casualties among non-commissionthe Boers' kopjes. d officers and men of the various regi-The Boer guns opened fire. Two batteries of British artillery, posted on each

side, Shelled the Boers, the practice being good on both sides. The Boers stuck to their positions, firing

steadily and accurately. The duel, which continually becan botter, lasted three hours. The Boer shells wounded several of the Naval Brigade.

Finding it impossible to displace the London, Nov. 28 .- The war office has Boers by artillery. Gen. Methuen resolveceived the following dispatch from ed upon an infantry attack. A brigade Buller, dated Pietermaritzburg, Natal, infantry including the Yorkshires, Northamptons and Northumberlands, with the Naval Brigade on the right,

"Our last news from Ladysmith on gallantly stormed the Boer position in the face of a withering fire and carried the hill. An old message dated Nov. 19th, just The brigade under Col. Mooney caprrived, begins: "Joubert has explained

tured the main position against a terrific fire but suffering severely. Many Boers Surrendered. London, Nov. 29 .- An Orange River

dispatch dated Monday, November 27th, describing the Enslin engagement, says: "The Boers successfully retreated. The Lancers attempted to intercept them, but a severe fire opened from a hill forc-

ed the Lancers to retreat. Gen Cronie was with the Boers. "Among the Boer prisoners are Alderman Jephe and Commandant Ressik who led the Boer forces. Many of the Boers

voluntarily surrendered.

"The Boers were shelled during the retreat and must have lost heavily, but they succeeded in getting away northward with their six guns.

"The British were badly in need more cavalry. "The bulk of the fighting was on Free

State territory and the engagement was admirably planned. "Thirty Boer wounded are under treat-

"At the close of the action Lord Methuen complimented the Naval Brigade upon their splendid behaviour and expressed regret at their losses."

Boers March Southwards London, Nov. 28 .- The war office has received the following dispatch from Gen. Forester-Walker, dated Capetown,

to-day: "Kekewich teports from Kimberley from November 18th to 23rd, some unimportant skirmishes with the Boers. wounding Capt. Bodley, Lt. Hawker and three troopers, all doing well. The

consolation from the severed fragments health of the garrison is good and the water supply plentiful." Native reports to Kekewich state that

the enemy's camps to the south of Kimberley have been vacated and that Cronje with 3,000 men is marching to the protection from rifle bullets than masouth. The Boers are disappearing from

Plans of Boers.

patch dated Pretoria, November 27th, re-

ceived through Boer diplomatic channels,

"President Kruger and President Stevn

have instructed Gen. Joubert and Gen.

Cronje not to split their forces into

small detachments but to strike vig-

orous blows. Gen. Joubert has three

corps, one holding Ladysmith, the second

commanding the Tugela and the third

east of Estcourt in order to cut off the

British retreat. Gen. Cronje's forces are

divided into three contingents, one at

Kimberley, another at Modder River

and the third in the rear of Gen. Meth-

Protest by Boers.

Paris, Nov. 28 .- The following is al-

leged to be a copy of the protest ad-

1,000 Kaffir auxiliaries, one of whom

results of this information and other re-

ports coming in from the east frontier

where the Kaffirs have been called to

arms by the English authorities. This

shows that the British government com-

mits the unpardonable crime of arming

the blacks against the whites in a strug-

gle unjustly forced on the South Afri-

can republic. This act may have the

"I am commanded to inform your gov-

rnments that a further document re-

gravest consequences for all white Af-

uen.'

rica.

at Pretoria:

is published in the Deutsche Zeitung:

Berlin, Nov. 28 .- The following dis-

preserving the original of this document.' "A Bold Bid for Empire London, Nov. 28 .- At Dewsbury Conservative conference Mr. A. J. Balfour

Pickoria Times.

VICTORIA, B. C. FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1, 1899.

the government leader in the House of mmons, repelled the charge that the government's policy in the war in South Africa was the acquisition of the gold fields. He asked if during the last hundred years any British statesman had dreamed of taxing the colonies for the

benefit of the Mother Country. "I have now come to the conclusion he said. "that the declaration of war h the Transvaal and the Free State was not any despairing struggle for liberty, but a bold bid for empire, a bid to make

themselves the nucleus of a Dutch-speaking paramount power in South Africa. and to exclude forever the hated British-

er from a dominating influence in that part of the world. "The people have risked their all upon

the state of war, and it is incredible that such a risk would be run merely to pre vent the Uitlander getting a vote. Their dream may be madness, but it is intelligent madness when we consider the whole situation and the military difficulties that beset Great Britain in a South African campaign. They have also vain ly counted upon the British party system, and another reason may be found in their profound contempt for British arms.

London, Nov. 29 .- The expected great Passing to a high eulogy of the "brilliant bravery of our troops, the courage, attle at Modder river has been fought patriotism and endurance of the small and Gen. Methuen has added another colony of Natal, so transcendently disvictory to his achievements of the past played, and the spirit of the colonies generally," he continued: "Last but not least may we not on this occasion expres That the Boers defended their position out thanks to American relations who have done all that is possible in a case with all their old-time gallantry is amplike this, namely, have provided and proved by Gen. Methuen's dispatch, equipped the Maine, not only in the inand it will probably be further testified terests of humanity, but as I well be-

lieve, out of their sympathy for those engaged in the great fight."

CANADIANS

AT CAPETOWN. Capetown, Nov. 29. - The Allan liner Sardinian, from Montreal, with the Canadian

contingent, 1000 strong, has arrived here.

> IN THE TRENCHES. the British Troops Will Baffle the

ed the difficulties of crossing the river Boers Round Ladysmith. and to have seized for themselves a po-A man in a trench is just as safe

from a shower of rifle bullets as if he sition north of the stream. were behind the walls of a fortification Indeed, it has been shown that earthworks thrown up by soldiers are a safer

orge White and his

sonry.

Another Big Fight Expected.

shall be made known.

GREAT BATTLE ON MODDER RIVER

Twice=a=Uneek.

NO. 36.

Boer Force of Eight Thousand Men Defeated by British Troops Under

Methuen.

FIGHT LASTED FOR TEN HOURS THE

Burghers Shelled Out of Their Position and Charged by the Infantry With Terrible Results--Canadian Contingent Arrives at Capetown.

(Associated Press.)

Methuen has gained a real advantage,

though details must be awaited before

the full effect of his ten hours' desper-

Where the Battle was Fought.

ate fighting can be gauged.

State remains unexplained.

Majesty briefly addressed Col. Hatton. congratulating him on the splendid conduct of the Guards in South Africa, and expressed deep regret at the losses sustained.

Queen Victoria's words were all the more earnest, inasmuch as just before the arrival at the barracks she received news of General Methuen's great victory, "Bloodiest battle of the century." Col. Hattan thanked the Queen for to when the heavy British casualties the kind words and the Guards cheered repeated'y. There appears to be no doubt that Gen.

The spectacie on Windsbr parade ground was probably unique. As anxi ous wives with babies and baby carriages, together with a lot of children, passed in front of the Queen, she leaned for obre ward, dropping words of sympathy and Presumably the burgher army was on hope with true womanly tenderness.

the south bank of the river, but whether They then grouped in front of the royal when the Boers retreated they crossed carriage and Her Majesty sympathicalthe river not ward or retired in an ly addressed them; saying how much she easterly direction into the Orange Free felt for them and hoping they would have good accounts of their husbands The British appear to have surmountand fathers.

The News From Natal.

There had been no news of any kind from Natal up to this forenoon since Gen. Buller's message yesterday. Indepen-This success of the British clears an- dent communications stopped abruptly other stage of the road to Kimberley, with the announcement that Gen. Hildthe siege of which Gen. Cronje must yard had been ordered to advance on

the above claim. otice that action, unmenced before certificate of improve

day of October, 1899. A. S. GOING.

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FRANK HIGGINS, r for the Applicants.

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Great Britain has notified France that "There is no movement forward to a state of war has existed between herself and the Transvaal since Octobe

Special Service Squadron. The special service squadron of the British fleet has been ordered to proceed to Gibraltar. It will probably replace

the Channel squadron, which is coming home for Christmas leave. French Officers Must Stay at Home.

It is said the French cabinet has instructed the minister of war to refuse

all officers leave to go abroad, and offisumed it is quite possible that news may cers absenting themselves in order to go come of four simultaneous battles, at to the Transvaal do so at the risk of Modder River, Arundel, Stormberg and dismissal. Colenso.

11th.

A corrected list of British casualties berley for the south, it is regarded as at Graspan shows that Flag Captain not impossible that Col, Kekewich is al-Reginald C. Prothero and Lieut. of Marines Walter T. Jones, both of the Doris,

The additional casualties telegraphed by Gen. Buller appear to be the first intimation of the actions of Gen. Methuen's forces, which have not yet been reported:

As the Ninth Lancers participated in the reconnaissance on Sunday, they must have safely returned from the pursuit of the Boers after the battle of Gras-

British Casualties

chronicle toward the Orange river." London, Nov. 29 .- With the exception

of General Forester-Walker's dispatches lish near Mafeking, the English having to the war office there is little news from the front. The cables continue silent, presumably because of Gen. Buller's desire to prevent leakage regarding important movements being carried on.

Methuen is continuing to advance rapid-

ly, and that, finding the railway much damaged, he left it behind him. When telegraphic communication is re-

As the Boers, according to Gen, For

Naval Officers Killed.

ready meet Lord Methuen.

It is believed that after the relief of previously reported wounded, were kill-Kimberley Lord Methuen will proceed to

the relief of Mafeking, about which considerable anxiety is still felt. The latest phase of the mobilization of reserves has proved as satisfactory as ange Free State corps; fifth, that an have former calls. Out of 9,786 men summoned 9,553 have rejoined their col-

The Fight Near Graspan. Orange River, Nov. 27 .- The British seized among an officer's effects at Dunarms have achieved a brilliant victory. dee. The paper is a communication The enemy, strongly entrenched, held from a Basutoland magistrate informing a range of hills commanding both sides the general commanding the Glencoe

It seems clear, however, that Lord

ester-Walker's advice, were leaving Kim-

marching with 2,000 troops to

of the railway at Rooilaagte, near Gras- camp, that there will be no difficulty in pan. The troops under Lewis reconnoit- hiring Basutos at five shillings a day, London, Nev. 28 .- The war office has ered in an armored train on Friday. The and saying, "Must they bring their

of Kimberley. The enemy have partially raised in order to give at Ladysmith can therefore easily protect themselves from the fire of the battle to Gen. Methuen.

enemy. The burghers are understood to have Ladysmith is surrounded by more less level ground, and cannot be ap-proached by the Boers on any side witha strong laager at Spytfontein, fourteen miles north of Modder river, so another

out exposing themselves-a kind of poengagement possibly awaits the British sition for which they have no liking. The ordinary rifle bullet only pene before they can commence the last stage trates a few inches into the mud and of eleven miles from Spytfontein to soil heaped up beside trenches. The Lee-Metford will go further than the Maus-Kimberley, though Gen. Cronje would er, and the Mauser has a greater penethereby "un a great risk of being caught tration than the Martini-Henry. The

between Gen. Methuen and Col. Kekebullets from a large Maxim gun are just as effectually arrested by this form of. wich, the British commander at Kimberbreastwork as they would be by The Side of a Battleship.

A Belated Dispatch. Nothing is so hard to take as an ea

A belated dispatch from Orange Rivtrenched position. Artillery is the only er says Gen. Methuen's troops are adeffectual means of driving soldiers out from trenches, but this can only be done vancing under the greatest difficulties, by the most accurate kind of firing, which explodes the shells exactly over fighting an omnipresent but almost invisdressed by the authorities of the South the trenches, together with a large num-

African republic to the foreign consuls ber of guns and the expenditure of a vast quantity of ammunition.

"I have the honor to call your govern- During the Spanish-American war, ment's attention to the report announc- American soldiers at Santiago found Enthusiastic scenes marked the deparing the engagement last night, October that they could lie in the trenches and ture to-day of the first composite de-18, between a commando and the Eng- read and smoke in perfect safety while tachments of the battalion of household showers of bullets were fiying overhead. cavalry going to South Africa. Crowds Do not be frightened when you hear thronged Windsor cheering and singing, was wounded and a prisoner, and the that this or that town has been "isolated." One of the easiest things, is to and similar scenes were witnessed in isolate a town in a sparsely-settled coun. spite of the dese fog. try like South Africa.

One way to do it is for a man on Lord Wolseley bade the Horse Guards horseback to ride out to the telegraph. line and pick off a few of the porcelain (the Blues) farewell at Knightsbridge or glass insulators on the telegraph barracks. He made a speech reminding poles. This breaks the wire and desthe men of the grand military deeds of troys the circuit, and one well-aimed shot will is late a large town from the the Blues, saying he was assured they rest of the world. would do their utmost to add to the

glory of the regiment of which they

Departure of Horse Guards.

were so justly proud, and wishing them God speed, good luck and a safe return. Strugging crowds lined the route to the station, incessantly singing and cheering, until the cavalry entrained for Southampton to embark on board the transport Maplemore.

The Queen and Soldiers' Wives. There was an interesting cermony at Windsor to-day when the Queen inspected the men of the Grenadier Guards Does your head ache? Pain back of who recently returned from Omdurman, and conversed with the wives and families of soldiers who have gone to South Africa from Windsor district. The Queen was accompanied by Prinvess Henry of Battenburg and Princess

BUCKINGHAM'S DYE Whisker Christian. BO CTS. OF DRUGBISTS, OR R. P. HALL & CO. N

Jo'enso. Therefore there is reasonable solicitude regarding the course of events since Monday.



After Desperate Fighting Methus a's Force Drives the Boers From Their Position at Modder River.

London, Nov. 29.-11:55 a.m.-Gen. Methuen has defeated the whole Boer force at Modder river.

London, Nov. 29 .- The war office has received the following dispatch from Gen. Buller:

"Capetown, Tuesday, Nov. 28.-Gen. Methuen reports:

"Modder River, Tuesday, Nov. 28 .-Reconnoitering at 5 a.m. the enemy's position on the river Modder and found them strongly entrenched and concealed. There was no means of outflanking them, the river being full.

"The action commenced with the artillery, mounted infantry and cavalry at 5:30. The Guards were on the right and the Ninth Brigade on the left.

"The force attacked the position in widely extended formation at 6:30 and supported by the artillery, found itself in front of the whole Boer force, 8,000 strong, with two large guns, four Krupps, etc.

"The naval brigade rendered great assistance from the railway.

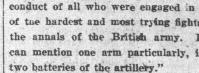
"After desperate hard fighting which lasted 10 hours, our men, without water or food and in the burning sun, made the enemy quit his position.

"Gen. Pole Carew was successful in getting a small party across the river, gallantly assisted by 300 Sappers.

"I speak in terms of high praise of the conduct of all who were engaged in one of the hardest and most trying fights in the annals of the British army. If I can mention one arm particularly, it is

Message to the Queen.

London, Nov. 29 .- A special dispatch After the inspection of the troops, Her from Windsor says that Gen. Methuen's





ceived in General Joubert's protest to Secretary Reitz at Pretoria, under six heads as follows: First, that the British at Elandslaagte fired on the ambulance; second, that a British Lancer at tempted to assassinate a doctor wearing the Geneva Cross, missing the surgeon but killing the horse; third, the tying of thirteen prisoners, some of them wound-

ed, behind Maxims and dragging them

along; fourth, that at Dundee the fugi-

tives retired under cover of a white flag,

while the main body was fighting the Or-