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(Associated Press.) Ill., Nov. 17.—Cornelius Cor shot three of his children, aded the fourth child, and himself.

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Associated Press. Nov. 17.—Stock market, and; Eagle, 283, 281; Payne, ontreal and London, 50, 48; 63/4, 116, Sales: War at 283; Republic, 1,000 at

URDERER HANGED. Associated Press.)

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Boers Moving to the South

Arrival of Relief Column at Estcourt Causes Joubert to Change His Plans.

The British Advance-Burghers Reported to Be Massing on the Orange River.

London, Nov. 20 .- The Ladysmith correspondent of the Standard telegraphed as follows on Sunday:

"The arrival of the relief column at Estcourt has completely modified the plans of the enemy, and Gen. Joubert has moved to the south in an effort to prevent the junction of the two British

A dispatch from Pretoria announce the arrival there among the British prisopers of Major Haldane, Lieut. Brockie and Lieut. Hallway.

It also declares that the British on Sunday made two unsuccessful attempts to oust the Rustenburg commando from a point near Mafeking, and that severe fighting took place.

Boers Located.

Estcourt, Natal, Nov. 20.-4:45 p.m .-The enemy has been located on the northwest, 10 miles off, by Major Bethune's patrols. The Boers would not be drawn. Fighting is reported at the Moori river.

The Boers are doing more looting than fighting, and all their parties south of Ladysmith are foraging on the farms. Ladysmith advices tell of brilliant British victories, with comparatively slight less on our side, and heavy slaughter of the enemy. Ladysmith is full of wounded and captured Boers. It is reported that in the fighting on November 9th the enemy lost 300 killed and 500

REINFORCEMENTS FOR BOERS. Plans of the Burghers and British-The Invasion of Cape Colony.

London, Nov. 21,—No confirmation has been received of the reports of the fighting at Ladysmith last Wednesday. On the contrary, the most reliable advices from Estcourt indicate that there was nothing more than a desultory cannonade. Probably the rumor of a serious engagement grew out of the fact that the Boers threw a few harmles shells late Tuesday night, leading to the supposition that an attack was imminent. Nothing, however, happened on

There is practically nothing new from are daily receiving fresh reinforcements and supplies. The Boer

Invasion of Cape Colony continues steadily and rapidly. There are 1,500 at Colesberg, and news has reached East London that Lady Grey, ear Aliwal North, has been deserted by the British and is now in the blands of the enemy.

The war office semi-officially asserts that all news received from Africa has been published, with the exception of demands for renewal of stores, war material and the like. There is an unconfirmd rumor that troops have been ordered from India to the Cape.

The plan of operations on both side: is slowly unfolding itself. Gen. Joubert is evidently moving south to prevent, if possible, the junction of the British reieving force with the forces of Estcourt and Ladysmith, while on the Orange River border the Boers are believed to be concentrating at Donkerpoort to

Oppose Gen. Buller's Advances

It is said that 6,000 Boers have already laagered at Donkerpoort. The English plan seems to be a threefold advancefrom Durban to Ladysmith, from Orange River to Kimberley, and from East London by way of Queenstown to Burghers.

Gen. Buller has wired the commanding officer at Queenstown, announcing the dispatch of Gen. Gatacre with the first battalion of the Seventh Brigade, East London. This was the place from which it was originally ordered that Gatacre's column should start.

Thus it is possible that Gen. Buller's first plans have suffered less modifica tion than some have supposed. Gen. Gatacre will be able to keep the Boers on the Orange border sufficiently occupied to preserve Gen. Methuen from unmolestation, especially if rumors from various sources are well founded that describe the Free State burgher as in no wise enthusiastic for fighting. Although Kimberley is supposed to be

The Objective Point

of Gen. Methuen, many military critics are of the opinion that his advance will not be towards Kimberley, but across the Orange Free State, in order to secure complete command of the Orange river The debarkation of troops at Cape-

town is proceeding in the most satisfactory manner. One thousand eight hundrad and fifty railway cars have been collected there for the conveyance of troops northward, and there is talk of suspending the suburban traffic, so as to accelerate military work.

The Daily Chronicle in its war diary says this morning: "Hitherto we have besitated to speak ride from here"

plied to our troops, much of which has had to be thrown overboard; but we have made inquiries in quarters not like ly to be influenced by mere rumor, and we find there suspicions that some of the meats supplied to the government for use on British transports was meat

Rejected by the United States during the hostilities in Cuba, where it was picturesquely known as 'embalmed beef' and labeled with the mark of the current year. Whatever blunder there may have been must be laid, not to the door of the war office, but at the door of the admiralty, which has undertaken to feed the troops. Not a single com plaint has come to hand regarding the quality of the war office stores."

An Well at Ladysmith Ladysmith, Nov. 16.-By runner to Estcourt. All well here, with nothing important to report. We are amply supphed with ammunition and confident of our ability to hold out. Informatio from outside is very scarce, but it is believed that the Boers now investing the town are only a small force. The heavy weather continues and the rain is hampering the Boer operations severe-

Boers Foraging. Pietermaritzburg, Nov. 20 .- A party of British beliegraphers, cut off by the Boers outside Estcourt, contrived to es cape to New Hanover, on the Greytown line, and arrived here to-day. They report that a thousand Boers, driven starvation are foraging toward Grey town. No alarm is felt, but it may require a division of the relieving column to annihilate them.

Durban, Nov. 21.-The following adrice has been received from Colonel Royston, commandant Volunteers at Ladysmith, under date of November

"All the volunteers and police are well and there are plentiful supplies for men and horses. All was quiet yesterday (Wednesday), and the same condition exists this morning. There has been no further bombardment and the effects eretofore have been trifling. anxious for news from the south." Communication with Estcourt is in

errupted.

General Clery, acting under instruitions from General Buller, has issued terrupted. oclamation announcing that overnment will exact full compens for damage done to property to lan

The Natal Witness sars: "The arman farmers in Greytown district have rejected the Boer ultimatum to swear Megiance or quit their farms, and have defied the Boers to oust them off their homesteads"

Preparing to Advance.

London, Nov. 21.-The Durban dis patch which states that communication with Estcourt is interrupted seems to confirm the belief that a Boer commando has established itself at Willow Grange or near the Mooi River, and has cut the Of course reliable dispatches corrobor-

Nevertheless, whatever definite knowedge the British officers may have obtained from the scouts of the disposition of the Boer coommandos in Natal and the conditions of the beleaguered garrison particularly, nothing has been allowed to develop for the public information.

It is certain that owing, to the hard work of debarkation and entraining at Durban, the preparations for the advance of the relief force are in no wise so advanced a shape as has been sup posed. This may also be due to the ecessity of pushing stores and provisons to the front in needful quantities before the troops are sent. On the other hand the dispatch with which the

troops are being Rushed Forward from Capetown equally tends to show that all such preparations regarding forage and provi ions were already we'll advanced be ore the troops arrived at Capetown. General Methuen's baggage has arrived at De Aar, addressed to "Lord Me

huen, Pretoria, via Capetown." The reoccupation of Naauwpoort good news for the British. It is not known here from what point the troops came, but it is believed they were from De Aar, in which event it will not be long before Sternberg also will be occupied. Naauwpoort commands the gap in Kikvorshberg, the last

Strong Fighting Position south of Orange River, and was admir ably suited to Bear tactics. Royston's dispatch from Ladysmith finally disposes of all reports of another great British victory there last

Wednesday. The Times announces that it has auhority to deny the statement recently made by French newspapers that Prince Louis Napoleon, who is a colonel in the Russian army, desired to join the Boers and asked Emperor Nicholas for perion. As a matter of fact he never had any such idea.

Will Start This Week London, Nov. 22.-The Standard's orrespondent at Estcourt telegraphs as follows under Monday's date: "No actual confirmation can be tained of the report that General Joufrom his position in front of Ladysmith. Our patrols and spies have ascertained beyond doubt that several small commands are working southward. There is a growing be lief here that we will move toward Ladysmith about the end of this

The following Pietermaritzburg appears in the Daily Mail: official Ladysmith, dated November 18th, says the garrison is maintaining its position, A Boer force is reported about a day's

Conflicting Reports

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No News of Heavy Fighting Has Been Received From Ladysmith.

But Escourt Despatches Tell of British Victories and Severe Boer Losses

Burghers Reported to Have Made a Determined Attempt to Rush White's Position.

(Associated Press.) London, Nov. 21.-The latest direcnews from Ladysmith, dated Thursday, November 16th and Friday, 17th, strangely conflict with the reiterated reports of "tremendous battles and great British victories" on Wednesday and

Neither of the two messages referred to mention any great engagements or Boer defeats. On the contrary, both distinctly state that beyond a false alarm on Tuesday evening, and a little increased shelling on Thursday and Eriday, causing little damage, everything was perfectly quiet, and the garrison was chafing under its enforced inactivty. Reports From Estcourt.

Nevertheless, special dispatches from Estcourt to-day enlarge on the reported battles and insist that the Boers received a more terrible lesson on Wednesday than in any previous fight.

According to these circumstantial counts, the Boers were determined to rush the north end of Ladysmith with a large force, but were unable to make headway against the well sustained fire of the British riflemen and Maxims. Later a British force worked around to the flank of the enemy, causing the latter to withdraw under a deadly fusilade with exceedingly heavy losses.

Large numbers of dead are said to have been counted on the field, and many wounded and a number of prisoners captured. The British losses are reported to be trivial.

or captured with the native runners; but these tales are so flattering to the British that they have a distinct flavor of being belated accounts from Kaffir sources previously reported.

Plenty of Ammunition. The dispatches from Ladysmith reporting that there is an ample supply of ammunition there have seemingly set at rest a point on which there was much

diversity of opinion. May be Trying to Trap White. Apparently the British commander at Ladysmith believes Joubert has gone south leaving only a force sufficient to prevent the garrison from sallying out, and there is disposition in some quarters to think Joubert possibly incited the story with the object of inducing White to make a serious attack or relax positions so as to permit Boers to seize

ground vital to the defence of the town. A report from Durban, however, says there are rumors there that the Boers are preparing to break camp and withdraw from the investment of Ladysmith, but it is said elsewhere that the investing force continues to receive reinforcements, and that fresh supplies of stores have been received.

The British Advance. In view of the publicity allowed by the military authorities to be given to the alleged intention of the British to advance via Belmont to refieve Kimberley. it is said it may be regarded as probable the advance from De Aar will really be effected, and the route will not be so well advertised.

Rifles at Durban. The transport City of Cambridge with the second battalion of the Scottish Rifles arrived at Durban to-day.

Three Boers Killed. Durban, Monday, Nov. 20.-Seven nundred Boers from Weenen took up strong position on the highlands thirteen miles south of Estcourt on Sunday, occupying Turner's farm, northeast of Mayor Thorneycroft, with a detach-

Estcourt Carbineers engaged the Boers, of whom three were killed, including their commandant. The Boers withdrew taking 200 head

nent of the mounted infantry and the

of cattle captured at Turner's farm.

The main Boer force south of Estcour **Boers Move** is reported to have retired. Boer Incursions Capetown, Nov. 19.—A special from Herschel reports that the Boers left the camp at Aliwal North in temporary

charge of native followers, who bolted, taking with them a number of horses A Queenstown, Cape Colony, dispatch, dated Friday, November 17th, says com-

munication is constantly interrupted by Boer incursions, but is restored as soon as it is interrupted. Gatacre's Advice.

Capetown, Nov. 20.-General Gatacre, bling at Queenstown, Cape Colony, told the troops there to-day that regulars should watch and learn from irregulars who are acquainted with the country and the habits of the Boers. Once the forward movement had begun there could be no question of stopping it, and he asked all to do their best, adding:
"I will never ask you to do anything I
am not willing to do myself."

Reports from the northern portion of the colony are more reassuring, but there is a distinct danger that the Dutch are actively espousing the cause of the Boers, who now effectually bar three lines of entry into the Free State, Most of the students of Burghersdorp Theo logical Seminary joined the invaders at-

Proclamations issued at Bloemfontei on Tuesday. November 14th, declares the whole of Grignaland West, except Kimberley and Mafeking, annexed Free State. The proclamation was signed by C. H. Wessels, president of the Volksraad.

Boers Looting Stores. Estcourt, Natal, Monday, Nov. 20 .-The rumors of a glorious victory achieved by General White on Wed-nesday last are still unconfirmed. Little credence is attached to them, especially as it is added that General White threatened to place many hundreds of prisoners in conspicuous places should he shelling of the town continue.

Reports received from the southward ays the Boers are separating into for iging and pillaging parties, who are

ooting stores, stealing cattle and ran-acking houses. It is added one farmer became so in censed that he stalked a party of 160, eventually shooting eight of them. Boer forces have occupied a position

on the Mooi River, ten miles below Cape Members Join the Boers. Capetown, Nov. 21.—The Midland Newl cars Messrs. Vanmerwalt and to-beo, members of the Cape assembly have joined the Boer forces at Colesburg.

BULLER'S DISPATCHES. Situation at Mafeking-Boers Have Lost Heavily-Our Casualties.

London, Nov. 22 .- The war office last ight made public two dispatches from General Buller at Capetown: The first had been received from Gen. Clery, dated Monday, November 20th,

The second was from Col. Baden Powell, dated at Mafeking, November 16th, saying: "All well here. We have had a few successful sorties.

"Our loss is two officers and seven

wounded the previous day at Moo

een men killed and four officers and twenty-nine men wounded. "Enemy's loss is heavy. / His numbers tre decreasing, but his guns remain and shell us, keeping out of the range of our small guns. "Have had no news from the outside

since October 20th." Joubert's Report Pretoria, Nov. 21 .- (Via Lorenzo Marnez)-Monday's report from General Joubert's headquarters which was presented to the Transvaal council of war to-day, says:

"Heavy gun firing was heard in the rection of Esteourt on Saturday and ontinuous rifle fire is preceeding south of Ladysmith. "A small party from Ladysmith this orning was repulsed. "The Transvaal heavy guns fired

imber of shells into the town this af-Objects to Mr. Macrum. London, Nov. 21.—Great disappointment has been caused by President Kruger's refusal to allow United States Consul Macrum to exercise the powers of British agent at Pretoria. There were many callers at the United States embassy to-day, who were informed that the United States was no longer able to forward messages or secure information regarding the British prison-

Though Mr. Macrum apparently still mains the nominal agent of Great Britain, he is practically deprived of all powers pertaining to the position. President Kruger, it is underst objected to Mr. Macrum representing Great Britain on the ground that, though the United States claimed neu-

trality, she was prejudiced by her evident friendship for Great Britain. All ommunications to the British prisoners now go through the ordinary channels, which render their ultimate delivery doubtful, and certainly the British government so far has not taken any steps to change the present condition of the prisoners. A government official informed a representative of the Associated Press

that he did not see any good in trying to get any other power to act in their behalf, as President Kruger would doubtless treat its representative in the same manner that he had treated the representative of the United States. "Moreover," the official added, "it is not likely that President Kruger will be there long. If we did ask any other power to act in behalf of Great Britain it would possibly be Portugal."

Southward

A Large Number of Burghers Reported to Be Around Estcourt,

While Others Are Threatening Pietermaritzburg Forces Largely Increased.

Methuen's Column on the Way to Kimberley-Belmont Occupied by the Enemy.

(Associated Press.)

London, Nov. 22 .- There has apparenthow control the railroad thence to Mooi River, consequently momentous developnents may be expected at any time.

Threatening Pietermaritzburg.

The Boers are swarming southward. Large bodies of them are reported all around Esteourt, and parties of Boers appear even to be threatening Pietermaritzburg. Those encamped at Highnds station are well supplied with are tillery, and all evidence tends to show that the various Boer forces are being largely increased by accessions from disaffected Cape Boers.

Cavalry Badly Needed. The serious deficiency in cavalry is being felt by the British who are unable to keep in touch with the mobile Boer forces, whose presence is hardly reported before they are lost sight of, only

the line of communications. At Estcourt. General Hildyard's forces anchored a Estcourt by the naval guns can do little

to reappear at another vital point along

but await en attack until Gen. Clery's column is capable of taking the field.

Methuen's Column. According to a Capetown dispatch General Methuen's division, after leaving the Orange River, had reached Witteputs, half way to Be mont yesterday, and advices from the Orange River ish offensive operatio and announced that three privates were to-day show that the Boers occuply Belmont in force and that the neighboring

hills are crowned with Boer cannon. A patrol of Lancers, which has reurned to the Orange River, came unexpectedly on two Boer laagers. Three shrapnel shells burst close to the Lancers who, however, were unharmed.

Movements of Transports.

The British transport Kildonan Oastle, said to be the largest transport in the world, which left Southampton on November 4th with 3,000 men, their kits, weapons, machine guns, ammunition, balloons, pontoons, wagons, etc., arrived at Capetown this morning. About 35,000 of General Buller's corps have now arrived

The transport Nubia, with the first battalion of the Scots Guards, have sail-

ed from Capetown for Durban. The transport Carinthia arrived at Capetown yesterday.

Mr. Collet Released. Other advices from Capetown said Mr. Collet, the correspondent of the London Daily Graphic, who was arrest-

ed by the Boers while conveying a message from Mr. Schreiner, premier of Cape Colony, to President Steyn of the Orange Free State, and was taken to Bloemfontein, has been released and sent back with President Steyn's re-

Mr. Hofmeyer's Move.

It is reported that Mr. Hofmeyer, the Afrikander leader, has taken an important step in the hope of hastening the close of the war. He is said to have charged Mr. Sauer, the minister of public works, to get in touch with the Free State forces in an endeavor to arrange that the Boers shall apply for an armis-

The ostensible object of Mr. Sauer's trip is to induce his constituents at Aliwal North to remain passive.

Boer Advance Threatened. The impressing of men and supplies by Boers proceeds briskly only on the northern border of Cape Colony, but General Gatacre hopes soon to be in a

position to rush the Free Staters back

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within their own borders. The occupation of Naauwpoont by the British is the first step in this direction, but strong forces of Boers are largered at Colesburg and threaten a further immediate advance from there

The Wires Cut. Durban, Nov. 22,-A dispatch from the Mooi River says the telegraph line was cut on Tuesday evening near Highlands station.

The dispatch adds the railroad station is in possession of a large force of Boers who are encamped near Mitcheson's cut-

A train bound to Estcourt has returned. It only got a mile and a half north-ward of Highlands Station. The Natal Stud Co.'s farm has been raided, and 300 blooded horses, valued at \$75,000, have been captured.

No Complaints Regarding Beef. London, Nov. 22.-Various officials of the British admiralty have been interviewed by representatives of the Associated Press regarding London Daily Chronicle's bad beef assertions, and they say they have not received a single complaint as to the quality of food furnished to the transports. The chief of the victualling department said: "We bought in the United States salt beef and pork packed in casks, commonly known at sea served in all the navies of the world for years past. We have not so far heard s word against this form of food, and judging from the health of the men in the United States navy during the war with Spain, it must have agreed pretty well with them? We have yet to learn that the provisions purchased in the United States are not all represented and though investigating the allegations we have no reason to suppose we will discontinue purchasing in the United

Kaiser and Life Guards. Windsor, Nov. 22.-Emperor William of Germany to-day inspected a corporal and two troopers of the Life Guards in khaki field service uniforms in the quadrangle of Windsor Castle. His majesty expressed great satisfaction with the service ability of the uniform. Afterwards the emperor mounted his favorite charger, which he brought with him from Germany, and, accompanied

States, when circumstances demand out-

by the empress, went out for a ride in the great park. FOR RELIEF OF LADYSMITH.

at the Front New York, Nov. 22 .- The London cor espondent of the Tribune cables as fol-

"The war for which Lord Salisbury opened the way and cleared the ground by a secret understanding with the German Emperor, has reached the transition stage between a Dutch attack thwarted by the successful defence of Ladysmith Mafeking and Kimberley, and the Brit-"While the facts of the military situs

tion in lower Natal are carefully conealed, it is plain that Clery will have the course of a few days a force of 17,000 or 18,000 troops, including the naval brigade and the battalions which were on the ground before the reinforcenents began to arrive at Durban, These include three brigades of the 1st. 2nd, and 3rd divisions, and the 2nd Somerset Light Infantry, which left Capetown yesterday.

The Commanders. "Both Clery and Hillyard have been nnected with the staff college, and are nsidered among the best tacticians in the British army. They have been great favorites with Lord Wolseley and understood much of the details of military tactics and strategy as taught in the technical schools.

Move Towards Kimberley.

"While the campaign in Natal is wrap

ed in mystery and darkness, so much

light is thrown on the movement toward. Kimberley that some leading military writers decline to believe that it will come on as freely as advocated. Saved by Natal Guns. "Naval officers are annoyed by the criticism of the admiralty by arranging sea transportation by steamships, and are retorting that the situation has been saved by the naval guns. They contend that the war office was ignorant of the artillery resources of the Boers and allowed Ladysmith to be selected as a camp without providing guns equal in range to those mounted against it on the outlying hills, but that the effect of this blunder was counteracted by the naval

12-pounders sent from ships in the nick "This cannot be denied, nor can it be nestioned that the naval guns on improvised carriages have transformed the squadron at Estcourt and on the Orange

Co-operation of Army and Navy. "A point which Englishmen not connected with the rival services are unaware is that the resources of the British government for carrying on war at a long listance inland are enormously increased by the active co-operation of the army and navy in the present campaign. The blue jackets now on exhibition at Ladysmith, Estcourt and the Orange River are like the Sepoys displayed at Maita by Lord Beaconsfield as a practical reminder to Russia that there were more than one way of fighting a big campaign."

They make one feel as though life was worth living. Take one of Carrer's Little Liver Pills after eating: It will relieve dyspepsia, aid digestion, give tone and vigos

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been using Chamberlain's pained her continually We have tried all kind? and doctors without rel nefit from any of them. w an advertisement of and thought of trying it. used only one bottle and almost well.—Adolph L. os., Wholesale Agents, ancouver.