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RECEIVED BY WIRE SEVENTY-TWO GUNS

Shell the Boer Forces Entrenched at Speonkop.

BULLER ADVANCING YARD BY YARD TOWARD LADYSMITH.

Driven Back One Day He Moves Forward the Next and Drives Boers From Entrenchments.

Boers Now Have 64,000 Men in the Field—Contesting Every Inch of the Way—Vote of Censure Fails—Slocan Miners Object to Eight Hour Law Treaty Governing Nicaragua Canal Now Before U. S. Senate.

London, Feb. 8, via Skagway, Feb. 14—Yard by yard and meeting the most desperate resistance at every step Buller is forcing his way toward Ladysmith for the relief of the little garrison which has held out so manfully for many weeks.

Under date of Feb. 5, dispatches from Spearman's camp state that the Boer positions have been attacked under the personal direction of Gen. Buller.

Seventytwo guns were in position and shelled the enemy's earthworks during the entire day. The Boers suffered severely but returned the cannonade sharply, principally from Speonkop. Under the heavy fire from the Boer guns, the British infantry which had advanced during the morning, was forced to fall back. On the next day, the sixth, the bombardment of the Boer position was resumed and the enemy was driven back from a hill upon which they had been strongly entrenched. Further progress, however, was prevented as the Boer guns from Speonkop and Doornakop maintained a raking fire upon the line of the British advance.

The total Boer strength now in the field aggregates 64,000 men.

No Censure.

London, Feb. 8, via Skagway, Feb. 14.—An attempt was made in the house of commons to pass a vote of censure upon the government for its conduct of the Boer war. The attempt was a complete fiasco and resulted in an enthusiastic display of patriotism from the benches.

Nicaragua Treaty.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 6, via Skagway, Feb. 14.—The treaty under negotiation between the United States and Great Britain concerning the construction and management of the Nicaragua canal has been sent to the senate. The treaty provides that the United States government pay all costs of the construction of the canal and enjoy all the rights and privileges resulting from such construction. Also that the exclusive right to manage and regulate the canal shall remain with the United

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States government, during time of war as well as peace.

War vessels or vessels of commerce of all nations are allowed the right of passage through the canal, but the United States government retains right of blockade upon the commission of any act of hostility within the limits of the canal. No fortifications along the line of the canal are to be constructed, but the United States government will maintain such military and police forces as it may deem necessary for protection purposes.

Appeal From Miners.

Kaslo, B. C., Feb. 8, via Skagway, Feb. 14.—Slocan miners have issued a protest against the eight hour law. They declare that legislative interference has displaced thousands of men and lessened the output of the district by a million of dollars inside of six months. Four hundred men have been let out from the War Eagle and Center Star mines at Rossland. The Montreal stock exchange is investigating the situation and the belief now prevails that stock of coth mines will be taken from the Exchange list.

Money for Soldiers.

Ottawa, Jan. 21.—The Ottawa city council has appropriated \$25 for each member of the Canadian contingent from Ottawa. The total amount is \$1750.

Noted Baptist Clergyman Dead.

Newport, R. I., Jan. 16.—Rev. Dr. Warren Randolph, pastor of the Central Baptist church, of Newport, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Indianapolis, and a clergyman of national reputation among Baptists, is dead, aged 84 years.

Shipment of Gold.

New York, Jan. 17.—August Belmont & Co. will ship \$500,000 in gold to London Saturday. In addition there has been engaged \$1,000,000 in gold at the sub treasury for shipment. No name is given out in connection with the engagement.

Word From Ladysmith.

London, Feb. 7, via Skagway, Feb. 14.—Heliograph signals from Ladysmith report that on the 3d and 4th the Boers resumed the bombardment of the town. Casualties not known.

McDonald at Work.

London, Feb. 7, via Skagway, Feb. 14.—The first news of activity from

Methuen's forces for several weeks arrived today. No engagements of consequence have taken place. Gen. McDonald, with 4000 infantry, now threatens the Boer right at Magersfontein, and important movements are anticipated.

Major Bliss Outside.

Skagway, Feb. 14.—When Major Bliss reached here from Selkirk he found orders awaiting him to proceed at once to Ottawa. He expects to be sent to South Africa without delay. He left on the steamer Tees for Victoria last night. He is elated over being once more on the outside.

Benefit Entertainment.

"God of our fathers, known of old—
Lord of our far-flung battle line—
Beneath whose awful hand we hold
Dominion over palm and pine—
Lord God of hosts, be with us yet,
Lest we forget, lest we forget."

—Kipling.

The benefit concert and entertainment to be given at the Palace Grand tomorrow night for the benefit of the widows and orphans of soldiers killed and being killed in the Boer war is all arranged for and will be well worth hearing. An excellent program has been prepared and no pains have been spared in completing arrangements for a first-class event. The patrons are Commissioner Ogilvie and Justice Dugas. The committee is as follows:

Major Perry, Major Hemming, Mr. F. C. Wade, Q. C., Dr. McDonald, Mr. Alex McDonald, Mr. McMillen, Capt. Thacker, Mr. McCaul, Q. C., Supt. Primrose, Mr. Doig, Mr. Lithgow, Mr. Hulme.

PROGRAM.

Medley	Y. F. F. Band
Song	Corporal Cobb
Recitation	Miss Ross
Song	Mrs. Thompson
Physical drill	Yukon Field Force
Song	Mr. Boyle
Tableau	Touting Toughest
Bayonet exercise	Yukon Field Force
Song	Q. M. Sargent
Selection	Y. F. F. Band
Bagpipe selection and sword dance.	
Song	Messrs Taylor and D. L. McDonald
Song	Dr. McDonald
Tableau	Mrs. Davison
Song	Britannia
Song	"God Save the Queen"

Tickets are on sale at Reid's drug store where seats and boxes may be reserved. Tickets may be had at the door tomorrow night.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

On Friday night Mrs. Moulton will give a social dance at her roadhouse at the mouth of Gold Bottom on Hunker creek. A good time is anticipated.

On exhibition in front of C. J. Dumbolt's market today are seven Rocky mountain goats. They came from fully 200 miles back in the mountains.

Several rumors have reached Dawson relative to various parties who are supposed to be en route to Dawson. Mr. C. J. Dumbolt, of the City Market, is in receipt of a telegram from Sergt. Jones, of Bennett, dated the 7th inst., in which he states that no beef or cattle had up to that time passed Bennett for Dawson.

According to C. G. Finger, who arrived yesterday over the ice from Skagway, the number of persons leaving Dawson for the outside is in excess of those arriving. Finger was 36 days on the road, and he says he met from six to ten persons every day who were bound for the outside. He reports the trail in fine condition for horses, dogs and pedestrians.

RECEIVED BY WIRE.

ROBERTS' MANIFESTO

Freestaters May Return to Peaceful Pursuits.

GOOD TREATMENT PROMISED THEM

Belligerents May Not Consider the Proposition.

Should They Forsake Boers, Latter's Cause Will Be Weakened—Ivey's Enemies on the Run—Official Ax Unsheathed in Alaska.

London, Feb. 7, via Skagway, Feb. 14.—Lord Roberts has issued a manifesto to the rebellious Free Staters and Transvaalers who have joined the Boers and taken up arms against the British, promising immunity from future reckoning and punishment if they will lay down their arms and peaceably return to their farms. The manifesto further promises that all the farms which have been deserted by their former owners and are now occupied by the British will be restored to their owners provided the latter will peacefully return and occupy them. It is not yet known how the conciliatory manifesto will be received by the Free Staters who are very anxious for Boer victory and final triumph, but should the manifesto be favorably received the Boer cause will be very materially weakened.

Ivey on Top.

Skagway, Feb. 14.—All Alaska is anxiously awaiting the appointment of a district judge to succeed C. S. Johnson who resigned by request. Both Oregon and Idaho representatives in congress have a man whom they want appointed, but as Oregon is already well represented in Alaska's federal offices, it is thought the plum will go to Idaho. The relations of Judge Johnson and Collector of Customs J. W. Ivey have always been very much strained, and the resignation of the former is very pleasant to the collector.

District Attorney, General Friederick and U. S. Commissioner Matcom, the latter of Juneau, have been openly avowed enemies of Ivey and their summary removal is another victory for the collector who is certainly more popular in Washington City than in Alaska. The official recorder for all of southeastern Alaska, the office of U. S. Commissioner at Juneau is one of the best in the district. During his official reign of nearly two years as U. S. district attorney, General Friederick has secured but very few convictions, the lawyers of the district being too heavy for the limited legal ability of the official.

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