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BRITISH KEEPING REMARKABLY STILL.

No Indication of Any Intention to Advance.

WILL WAIT FOR ROBERTS.

Casualty List Indicates Another Sortie From Ladysmith.

Methuen Is Reported as Strongly Intrenched and as Not Likely to Move for Three Weeks—Buller's Destruction of the Bridge at Tugela Will Delay His Own Advance on Ladysmith, But Will Also Keep the Boers From Attacking Him — Gen. Butler's Original Warnings Now Being Discussed.

LONDON, Dec. 27, 4:50 a. m.—Dispatches from South Africa are still greatly delayed. But they are arriving more freely, which shows that the censorship has been relaxed.

British Destroying a Bridge.

There appears to be no great change in the situation. A dispatch from Lourenzo Marquez, dated Thursday, December 21, gives the following from the Boer laager, dated Tuesday, December 19:

"The British naval guns, at Colenso, have been cannonading Bulwer bridge, over the Tugela river with a view of smashing it.

"The bombardment of Ladysmith is proceeding slowly. Gen. Joubert has arrived here and has been accorded a hearty welcome. He addressed the burghers on December 18.

British Prisoners at Pretoria.

"More British prisoners have been sent to Pretoria, including Col. Buller, Maj. Walters, Maj. Bailwark, Maj. Foster, Capt. Dick, Capt. Fitzherbert, Capt. Ford, Capt. Hutchinson, Lieut. Bonham, Lieut. Smithers, Lieut. Thourne, Lieut. O'Conneyghey, Lieut. Kaunbald, Lieut. Christian, Lieut. Brigg, Lieut. Birch, Lieut. Halford, Lieut. Tarbull and Lieut. Jones."

Gen. Hunter's Sortie.

A dispatch to the Daily News from Ladysmith, dated Friday, December 15, by heliograph, says: "Another sortie last night. Gen. Hunter, with 500 volunteers, destroyed one six-inch Cresuot gun, one Howitzer and one Maxim. One Briton killed. The Boer gunners fled."

No Move Looked For.

There is an idea in some quarters that Gen. Buller's destruction of the Tugela bridge heralds an attempt to cut off the Boers now south of the river, but the general opinion is that the British will not make any serious move pending the arrival of Lord Roberts.

Severe Newspaper Criticism.

The newspapers continue actively discussing and criticising the management or rather mismanagement of the campaign. The advent of horse sickness draws increased attention to the question of transports and the want of wagons, which may tie the British forces to the railways.

The Daily Chronicle says:

"Plenty of wagons could be obtained from the United States, but the government, with indiscreet patriotism, has refused to avail itself of the opportunity. It would have been better if the authorities had followed Lord Kitchener's example at Atbara bridge. Will they even now apply to the American factories?"

The Times editorially attacks the administration of the war office, calling attention to the correspondence disclosing "glaring defects," and declaring that the British army is being managed for the benefit of the war office and not of the nation.

Growth of Dutch Disaffection.

Dispatches from various points indicate the steady growth of the Dutch disaffection. The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Chronicle reports the discovery of a plot to connive at the escape of Boer prisoners.

The Times advises stern treatment of the disaffected Dutch colonists and the enforcement of the penalties of treason against persons and property.

More Troops From India.

The Sixteenth lancers will go to South Africa from India at the special request of Lord Roberts, even after the government had decided that no more troops should be withdrawn from India.

The war office has nominated Sir William Stokes as consulting surgeon to the South African forces. He will leave Dublin for the Cape in a few days.

Seizure of Lourenzo Marquez Asked.

Lord Somerset writes to the Times urging the seizure of Lourenzo Marquez and its retention, if necessary, until the end of the war, in order to prevent the landing of war material for the Boers.

Artillery Is Arriving.

The transport Tantallon Castle has arrived at Cape Town with a number of howitzers and quick-firers, which Gen. Buller urgently needs. The government has chartered the Lake Erie, of the New Elder, Dempster & Co.'s line, which was built for the Canadian mail service. She is a vessel of 12,000 tons.

Colonists Are Arming.

The recruiting of British colonists in Cape Colony is actively proceeding. Thirty thousand are already under arms and several thousand will be added.

Those now in the field include the Cape mounted police, the Rhodesian and Natal forces and the colonial troops beleaguered at Kimberley and other points.

Firing at Modder River.

Dispatches from Modder river, dated Thursday, Dec. 21, report that intermittent firing was continued on both sides, although the Boer shells fell short. A number of Free State burghers had surrendered. There is an unconfirmed report that a Canadian picket was cut off near Belmont. It is also asserted that fever is raging among the Boers.

Wireless Telegraphy Test.

The tests of wireless telegraphy at Modder river have been highly successful, communication over a distance of seventy miles being perfectly established. Six Marconi instruments, intended for the Boers, have been seized at Cape Town.

Daily Firing at Ladysmith.

A dispatch from Chiveley camp, dated Thursday, Dec. 21, says:

Lyddite shells are daily thrown into the Boer camp to prevent them working at the trenches. The firing of big guns is heard daily from the direction of Ladysmith.

Demeilion Recaptured.

Commandant Demeilion, who was captured at Elands laagte, and brought to Simonstown, where he succeeded in making his escape from the British cruiser Penelope, has been recaptured.

Fears of International Complications

The Times, in a special article, discussing the international law aspects of Boer importations through Delagoa bays, says:

"Were we to adopt, either with or without the consent of Portugal, the drastic measures which are so easily suggested in some quarters, we might find ourselves suddenly confronted with international complications far more serious and injurious to the successful prosecution of the South African war than the evils of which it was sought to secure an abatement."

Methuen Will Not Move.

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily News, telegraphing Wednesday, December 20, says: "Lord Methuen, I understand, intends to remain at Modder river about three weeks longer.

Europeans in Boer Army.

"From Boer sources, hitherto singularly well informed, I learn that there are 8,000 European officers and men, skilled in modern military tactics, particularly artillery, now in Pretoria as a reserve.

"Our administrative officials in the Cape service who have just returned from official relieving duty in the Dutch district, says the news of the British reverses has been received with great joy, even in localities where there is no open revolt."

British Simply Marking Time.

Latest cable dispatches from South Africa show the situation at the front is practically unchanged. With the exception of desultory artillery practice, to which the Boers did not reply, the British continue to mark time.

New Zealanders in a Tight Place.

Advices from Cape Town say the New Zealanders, with Gen. French at Naauwpoort, were in a tight corner December 18. They were nearly surrounded by the Boers, and retired under a hail of bullets fired at short range, but sustained only a little loss.

Among the Boers killed at Stormberg were many of that locality who had joined the Free State forces.

Several newspaper correspondents have returned to Cape Town from Modder river, apparently confirming the belief that an immediate advance of the British is projected.

Methuen Undisturbed.

The war office received the following dispatch from Cape Town, dated December 25:

"There is no change in the situation at Modder river. Methuen is well intrenched

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EVERY TIME YOU KNOCK A DUMMY DOWN YOU GET A GOOD CIGAR.
—Minneapolis Tribune.

EVANGELIST'S BODY CONSIGNED TO EARTH.

THOUSANDS PAY PARTING TRIBUTES TO DWIGHT L. MOODY.

Public Funeral Services of Simple Character, Held at Northfield, Mass., and New York—Interment Made in Round Top Cemetery.

EAST NORTHFIELD, Mass., Dec. 26—Funeral services over the remains of Dwight L. Moody were held at the Congregational church today before a large audience. Men who for many years have been connected with Mr. Moody's evangelistic work took part. Rev. C. I. Schofield, D. D., officiated, assisted by Rev. A. A. Torrey, of the Moody Bible Institute, Chicago.

There were services at the residence early in the day, only relatives and close friends being present. Dr. Schofield read the Scriptures and Mr. Torrey offered prayer. When the family had withdrawn, the remains, which had been allowed to remain upon a leather couch, were placed in a casket, which was of simple design, black covered and opened at full length.

The casket was borne to the church on an oblong, black-covered bier, by about forty students from the Northfield institute. Before the bier was raised white roses were sprinkled about the casket. Dr. Schofield and Mr. Torrey led the procession, while following the bier came the honorary pall bearers, Ira D. Sankey and George C. Stebbins, of Brooklyn; R. C. Morse and D. W. McWilliams, of New York; Rev. W. J. Hardman and Rev. George C. Needham, of Philadelphia.

The bier was placed in front of the pulpit, and the lid of the casket removed, showing a spray of palm and ivy extending from the feet to breast. A large number of villagers and visitors then began to file past the body. Mr. Moody's face had every appearance of one enjoying peaceful sleep. The body remained on view in the church until 2 o'clock.

At the public funeral service the music was rendered by a choir of 150 students. An invocation was followed by the Scripture lesson, read by Rev. A. L. Pierson, of Brooklyn. Dr. Schofield then delivered the eulogy.

The Rev. Mr. Torrey followed Dr. Schofield. His eulogy was based on Mr. Moody's life, exemplifying the grace of God. Remarks were made by Rev. H. G. Weston, of Crozier Theological seminary, Chester, Pa.; the Rev. A. T. Pierson, of Brooklyn; Bishop Mallalieu, of Boston, and Rev. J. W. Chapman, of New York.

The body was then carried to the burial place at Round Top. The chorus sang "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," and after prayer and benediction the casket was lowered to its resting place.

SERVICES IN NEW YORK.

Friends of All Denominations Unite to Do Last Honors.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Funeral services for Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, were held today in Calvary Baptist church simultaneously with the funeral services at Northfield, Mass. The auditorium of the church, which seats 3,000 persons, was filled.

The services were of an undenominational character, arranged by the friends of Mr. Moody, and ministers of all denominations were present.

AS TO JOHNSON'S SUCCESSOR

Attorney General Says He Cannot Be Appointed From California—State's Quota Is Full.

Special Dispatch to the Post-Intelligencer.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The California delegation in congress has been informed by the attorney general that the appointment of a judge to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Judge Johnson, of Alaska, cannot be given to that state because it has more than its quota in the territory already. It is understood that both the Oregon and Washington delegations have presented candidates, but the senators of both states declined to say whom they are pushing for the place.

In spite of the strong rivalry the appointment is likely to be made soon, as Judge Johnson has earnestly requested to be relieved by March 1.

The following patents have been granted citizens of Washington: Adam Keusink, Tacoma, device for operating car coupling; William T. Love, Spokane, acetylen gas generator; Arnold J. West, Aberdeen, sawmill carriage.

Representatives Jones and Cushman have united in recommending for appointment as postmasters: P. A. Gaskill, Bemis, Adams county; Rachel A. Shirley, Lake, Asotin county; Mrs. Florence Hefling, Fort Simcoe, Yakima county.

LOVELL ARMS CO. FAILURE.

Have Been Heavily Indebted to the Globe Bank, of Boston, for a Long Time.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—The John P. Lovell Arms Company and the John P. Lovell Company, an allied firm, manufacturers of sporting goods of all kinds, made an assignment today for the benefit of creditors.

The firms were heavily indebted to the Globe National bank, which was last week placed in charge of a temporary receiver, and this institution, or rather its former president, Mr. Cole, has been represented in the business by C. W. Norcross, who is said to have virtually managed the concern for more than a year past in the interest of the bank.

It has been stated that Mr. Cole, late president of the bank, exchanged the paper of the Lovell company for mining securities, but the fact that Mr. Norcross has remained in charge up to the present time would seem to cast a doubt upon this story. It is said that the merchandise bills contracted by the company have been paid as promptly as those of most business houses, so the manufacturers who have supplied them with goods are not large creditors, the bulk of the indebtedness being to banks, which have discounted the company's paper.

Charles B. Barnes, jr., one of the assignees, said tonight: "The assignees are unable to give any estimate yet as to the assets and liabilities and probably will not be able to do so for some days. The companies operate stores in a number of cities from Bangor, Me., to Providence, R. I., and they have large stocks on hand which will have to be thoroughly examined before the assignee can discover just what the financial situation is."

The house of the John P. Lovell Arms Company was founded in 1841 by John Lovell.

PROPOSED FENIAN RAID ON CANADA.

An Army of 125,000 Alleged to Be Forming.

LEADERS TALK FREELY.

Make No Secret of Their Intention to Cross the Border.

Six Hundred Said to Be Enrolling in Buffalo, and a General Conference of the Leaders to Be Held in Philadelphia, They Believing That the Time Is Opportune to Attack Great Britain in This Manner, While Troops Are Being Drawn Off—Washington Authorities Discredit the Story of Proposed Raid.

BOSTON, Dec. 26.—A movement looking to the invasion of Canada by the Fenians and the advanced Irish Nationalists has been agitated for some time by leaders of these organizations in and around Boston. Col. Roger F. Scannel, who has been identified with Irish agitations for many years, said today that there was to be a meeting of prominent Irish Nationalists in Philadelphia next Sunday or Monday, to discuss the question of invading Canada.

"This meeting," Col. Scannel says, "will be followed by another in Boston, when reports from the Philadelphia meeting will be made by Boston delegates."

Col. Scannel says the present would be a good time for the invasion, as the troops of Canada are being sent away to take part in the African war.

Talk of 100,000 Being Enrolled.

"It has been agitated for years," continued the colonel, "that Canada should either be annexed to the United States or should have an independent government of her own. The present African war will, in my opinion, see the first break in the British empire. With an army of 100,000 Irish Nationalists engaged in the invasion of Canada, it would make things interesting for the English government."

Referring to the Fenian invasion of Canada of many years ago, Col. Scannel said that it was a failure because there were too many generals and colonels and no discipline. This would not happen now, he said, since the men are well organized all over the country, and have confidence in their leaders.

Five Hundred Enrolled at Buffalo.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Dec. 26.—A special from Dunkirk says: The Fenians are said to be organizing here for an invasion of Canada. A man known to have knowledge of the conditions of Fenian affairs in Dunkirk says this city has been called upon to raise 600 men, to form a part of New York's quota for the 125,000 good men that are to be enrolled throughout the country. At the present time 500 men are known to be mustered with the Fenians here. The remaining 100 will be obtained with little difficulty. It is currently reported and extensively credited that Fenians have two carloads of arms and munitions of war in concealment in or near this city. This material is said to have been in possession of the Dunkirk Fenians for some years.

Not Known to State Department.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The alleged attempts in different parts of the country to organize the Fenians for a raid into Canada have not as yet been drawn to the attention of the state department, and nothing is known upon the subject beyond the matters set out in the newspaper publications. Officials do not give the smallest credence to the stories, and are of the opinion that the purpose of setting them afloat is to frighten the Canadians into keeping their soldiers at home and failing to answer the appeal of England for volunteers for the African campaign.

Repressive Action Will Be Taken.

Should it turn out that a Fenian movement of the kind alleged to exist is actually discovered and brought to the attention of the United States government, sharp and prompt repressive action will be taken, not only to prevent a violation of neutralty laws, but also to save the raiders themselves from such consequences of their action as befell the unfortunate Fenian raiders of 1866.

Talk of a Fenian raid is well calculated to cause alarm on the Canadian side of the border, as people of that section were greatly agitated during the former Fenian excitement.

Lord Pauncefote Discusses Matter.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26.—The British ambassador, Lord Pauncefote, has made no protest to the authorities here relative to the reported organized movements in various parts of the country in behalf of the Boers, including the alleged Fenian movement, although these matters were subjects for discussion between Secretary Hay and the ambassador as late as this afternoon. The only attention which the embassy is giving to these reports is to keep advised, through the British consuls at various points, as to any movements of importance. Thus far, however, nothing has come from the consuls to indicate that the movements were more than local. As is usually the case in times of war, the British officials receive many letters offering to disclose secret movements or to sell balloons, explosives and various other novel war inventions. But as most of these are anonymous, they receive no attention.

Hibernians Not in It.

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—John T. Keating, national president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, declared tonight that he knew nothing of the rumored armed invasion of Canada by four columns of Irishmen.

"There are many enthusiastic Irishmen