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**BOERS PURSUE THE BRITISH**

REPORTS SHOW BRITISH VICTORIES EXAGGERATED—HUSSARS CAPTURED.

JOUBERT TELEGRAPHS WHITE OF SYMONS DEATH

General Yale Has Arrived At Ladysmith—The Boers Are Shelling Mafeking—British Evacuate Glencoe.

Pretoria, October 24, via Lorenzo Marquez, Oct. 26.—The bombardment of Mafeking, by Cronje's command began this morning. Women and children were given ample time to leave.

Still Shelling Mafeking.

Pretoria, October 25, via Lorenzo Marquez, October 26.—The shelling of Mafeking was resumed at day-break this morning. Several houses are in flames. The Boers surround the town.

Boers Pursuing The British.

London, October 26.—Reports were received today that General Prinsloo had swung his column of the Free State troops between Ladysmith and the forces of White and Yule. The War office as usual, refuses to affirm or deny the report. It is admitted however, that the Boers have occupied Elandslaagte and Reitfontein as soon as the British forces withdrew after their victories, hence military experts agree that the Boer army is pressing close on the heels of the retreating force, even if it has not surrounded it.

English Officers Are Prisoners.

Lorenzo, Marquez, October 26.—A special from Pretoria says that the officers of the Eighteenth Hussars have arrived and are quartered in the grand stand at the race course which is now a military prison.

The Boers acknowledge the loss of a hundred killed and three hundred taken prisoners at Elandslaagte.

Yule at Ladysmith.

London, October 26.—General White reports that Gen. Yule arrived at Ladysmith to-day. His men are completely fagged out and badly in need of rest. Yule had no engagement with the Boers.

Warding Off Basutos.

A Pretoria despatch says that President Steyn of the Free State has issued a proclamation stating that the republic will not attack the Basutos if they remain neutral.

Took the Jail Birds Back.

Lorenz Marquez, October 26.—The Portuguese authorities have re-conducted over the Transvaal border five hundred white and black prisoners whom the Boers released from their jails and turned loose in Portuguese territory.

The Boers Were Underestimated.

A Central News despatch from Glencoe of the 23rd, says that after the victory of Friday we imagined we were clear of enemies for some days but we were entirely mistaken. When the troops returned we found

the reported capture of all their guns incorrect. As a matter of fact the Boers took them off as we stormed the hills. Meanwhile a larger column under Joubert worked around and threatened Dundee. It was impossible to protect Dundee as the Glencoe force is facing a fresh and undefeated Boer force, which vastly outnumbered us. Sunday morning the Boers began shelling Dundee at long range. The aim of the gunners was excellent, Joubert apparently being desirous of getting the range. Meanwhile the British camp moved on Sunday, and all the men were brought to Glencoe. Monday we learned of the victory at Elandslaagte and understood the force was awaiting us there. We accordingly evacuated Glencoe without enemy observing our movements.

More Troops to Go.

London, October 26.—Orders have been issued for an additional five thousand troops to sail for South Africa between November fourth and eighteenth.

Annihilated Schiel's Force.

Durban, October 26.—It is said here that Col. Schiel's German force was almost annihilated in the battle at Elandslaagte.

Ninety-Six Boers Killed.

Pretoria, October 25.—The Boers admit that 96 were killed and many wounded at Mafeking.

Rumor of Symons Death.

It is rumored again in military circles that Gen. Symons is dead. The War Office refuses to affirm or deny.

It is Officially Confirmed.

In the House of Commons today Parliamentary Secretary Wyndham announced the death of General Symons.

Joubert Sent the News.

London, October 26.—Adden, in the House of Commons announced that Gen. Joubert had considerably telegraphed Gen. White of Gen. Symon's death. This confirms the belief that Yule was forced to leave his wounded at Dundee.

London, October 27.—Cable advices today confirm the report of a successful sortie from Kimberly. All is reported quiet at Ladysmith.

Brilliant British Success.

Cape Town, October 27.—Official reports from Kimberly dated Tuesday, state that Col. Scott Turner, with two hundred men, proceeded north to MacFarlanes from where on unsaddled horses, the party attacked the Boers on the right flank and quickly scattered. Several Boers were killed. The enemy moved to a sand heap and opened fire which the British returned. The British attempted to prevent the Boers advancing against Col. Murray, but were met with a heavy fire from Danwall. An armored train supported Col. Scott Turner, and Col. Murray opened on the Boers with two field guns and two maxims. The Boer artillery was brisk. Another armored train held in readiness was later sent forward with additional ammunition. The British loss was three killed and twenty-one wounded. The engagement was a brilliant British success.

Captured at Glencoe.

Pretoria, October 28.—The Boer Government admits the loss of 243 men taken prisoners by the British in the battle of Glencoe.

The Boers In Dundee.

London, October 27.—An official message has been received that the Boers have occupied Dundee and have looted the stores, but individuals were not harmed. The British wounded left at Dundee, are reported as doing well and are in care of Boer surgeons.

Heroic Incident.

Durban, October 27.—The most heroic incident in connection with the Elandslaagte fight is reported here. When the fire of the British guns became too hot, eight Boers ran for-

ward out of cover, and standing together, coolly opened fire on the Imperial Light Horse with the evident purpose of drawing the latter's fire while their comrades retired. Seven of the eight were killed.

Reinforcements Arrived.

Ladysmith, October 27.—Reinforcements consisting of infantry and guns arrived today from Pietermaritzburg, raising the total strength of the British forces here to twelve thousand, with fifty-four guns.

Searching the Bank.

Durban, October 27.—The marines and blue jackets placed in charge of the Transvaal bank were withdrawn today after the premises had been searched. The bank will open as usual tomorrow.

Burial of Gen. Symons.

Cape Town, October 27.—Gen. Symons has been buried close to the English church at Dundee. The chief medical officer at Dundee reports all the wounded as cheerful.

Near a Thousand Captured.

New York, October 27.—A London Pietersmartzburg despatch of the 24th, says that 938 Boer prisoners arrived this morning.

Cape Town, October 28.—Reliable

advices come from Blomfontein to the effect that there are serious dissensions among a number of the government's supporters, and that a movement is on foot to depose President Steyn, of the Orange Free State, and to install Frazer in his place. Frazer favors making an agreement with the British if the independence of the Free State is guaranteed.

Found Some Dumdums.

Pretoria, October 28.—Kruger states that several cases of dumdum bullets were found at Dundee after the British evacuated. He says the younger Boers are anxious to use them but are restrained from doing so.

Cape Town, October 28.—Three columns of Boers are closing upon Ladysmith, and Gen. White is expecting an attack.

The Boers are taking their time, and are choosing good positions, hauling up artillery so that they can bombard the British entrenchments. They have more and heavier guns than White expected. This was learned by the scouts.

Boer Reinforcements for Mafeking.

London, October 28.—A number of belated telegrams were received this morning. One from Buluwayo of the sixteenth said that Lieutenant Llewellyn's force of police and railway men were holding the Boers in check near Lobatsi. Chief Khama expected to be attacked and had appealed for assistance to Chief Linchue, who is loyal to the British. On the seventeenth an armored train killed eight Boers. A Cape Town despatch says that word has been received that the Boers had evacuated Klipdam, and were apparently reinforcing the forces attacking Mafeking.

Cruiser Powerful to Leave Durban.

Cape Town, October 28.—A despatch from Simonstown says the prison ship Penelope is being fitted up for the reception of Boer prisoners and that the cruiser Powerful is expected to leave Durban soon, presumably to convey the prisoners to Simonstown.

Strong Forces Ordered Out.

Scouts from Moddersprint having reported that Boers are in force at Relpmakaar road, Gen. White ordered out a strong force of artillery, mounted infantry, cavalry, and a small patrol. The mounted infantry was shelled by the Boers nine miles from Ladysmith, and the Boer position was finally located three miles beyond Moddersprint. The British force is now four miles from the Boers.

Put Out English Nurses.

Despatches from Johannesburg say that English nurses were put out of the hospitals. Dr. Mangoldt insists that Englishmen are not fit to nurse the Dutch.

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