

## LADYSMITH RELIEVED—AFTER FOUR MONTHS.

### After the Battle of Pieter's Hill the Boers Silently and Swiftly Stole Away in The Darkness of the Night.

**General Buller's Official Despatch—Joy of the Garrison—Their Pitiable Plight, Short Rations, Bad Water and Fever—Must Have Time To Recruit Before Taking the Field—Colesburg Occupied by Gen. Clement—Boers Everywhere Retreating—Great Joy in England.**

LADYSMITH, March 1—(Special). A portion of Gen. Buller's forces headed by Lord Dundonald's Cavalry, the Natal Carbiniers and seven Companies of Infantry, among them some Dublin Fusiliers, reached the city last night and raised the siege.

WHITE PREPARED TO SALLY.  
They came via the Road across Klip River and east of Caesar's Hill.

White made preparations to sally out and aid the advance if necessary, but the assistance was not required.

AN ECHO FROM PIETER'S HILL.  
Lord Dundonald reports that when the Lancashires charged on Pieter's Hill on Tuesday last they overtook the Boers flying from their trenches and bayoneted them.

Sixteen of the fleeing men were killed and 23 wounded.

THEY SILENTLY STOLE AWAY.  
The Boers after the capture of Pieter's Hill seemed to fade away. There was no visible retiring movement.

Grobler's Kloof was also abandoned and as Gen. Lyttleton pushed forward the road seemed clear.

FRANTIC JOY OF THE BESIEGED.  
Lord Dundonald with his troops had little difficulty in making a way through the ravines and around the hills to the southwest of the city, and last evening crossed the plain, following the railroad track and entered the city.

Their arrival was hailed with frantic joy by the besieged.

BOERS HAD RETIRED WEDNESDAY.  
The Boers made no demonstration from Bulwana Hill this morning and it is doubtful if they are aware of Dundonald's entrance.

According to Dundonald's reports the hills before occupied by the enemy to the south west of the city were bare on Wednesday.

The enemy had unquestionably retired.

IN DESPERATE STRAITS.  
An officer of the garrison said: "At first we thought it was the advance of Buller's main force, but Dundonald came first in line.

"We were in desperate straits for drinking water and fevers of various kinds were making sad havoc among the number of brave soldiers.

Gen. Buller's main force remained at Nelthorpe a few miles south of the city.

BULLER'S OFFICIAL REPORT.  
LONDON, March 1—(Special)—The following is the text of Gen. Buller's despatch: "Nelthorpe, March 15th. 5.20 p. m.—I have just returned from Ladysmith.

"Except a small guard north of Surprise Hill the whole of the enemy lately besieging the town have retired in hot haste and south of the town the country is quite clear of them.

"The garrison were on a half pound of meat per man per day and were supplementing the meat rations by horses and mules.

"The men will want a little nursing before being fit for the field."

TWO DAYS ASSAULT ON MAFEKING.  
The Boers made a protracted assault on Mafeking on Feb. 17th and also on the 18th but were driven off.

GREAT JOY IN BRITAIN.

No words can describe the exultation in Great Britain. When it became known that Ladysmith was relieved London literally went mad.

Throughout England and Scotland the scenes witnessed have no parallel in the memories of this generation.

Business was wholly given up and nothing spoken of but the glorious news.

LADY BULLER CONGRATULATED.  
The Lord Mayor of London, wired Lady Buller congratulations on her gallant husband's achievements.

Later he spoke to an immense crowd in which he said: "This news makes our hearts leap with joy. We are satisfied with our sacrifice of blood and treasure. It is not in vain.

LORD MAYOR OF LIVERPOOL SPEAKS.  
The Lord Mayor of Liverpool in addressing a crowd in that city said: "We are satisfied under our humane laws the Boers in a short time will become loyal citizens of the British Empire."

CANADIAN BRAVERY AND DASH.  
MONTREAL, March 1—(Special)—The Star's correspondent telegraphs an account of Cronje's surrender in which he says:

"It was a glorious day for the Canadian soldiers.

"By their gallant conduct they have earned the admiration of the whole army and the commendation of Lord Roberts himself.

"Then name of Canadian is now a synonym for bravery, dash and courage."

ADDITIONAL CANADIAN CASUALTIES.

OTTAWA, March 1—(Special)—Further particulars of the casualties to Canadians state that Private N. F. Brace of Charlottetown Engineers is among the wounded.

Johnston killed is Joseph Johnston, jr., of St. John.

Private G. Johnston of Halifax died of wounds and Private J. D. Scott, of the

Fredericton Infantry School, is among the killed.

Harris, wounded, is Private A. Harris of the 82nd Cumberland Battalion.

DESPATCH TO COL. MOORE.

OTTAWA, ONT., MARCH 1.  
TO LIEUT. COL. MOORE, D. O. C., CHARLOTTETOWN:

Regret to report following casualties: Paardeberg, 27th, killed, 7,979, Riggs. Wounded, 7,935, Harris; 7,909, Brace. (Signed) CHIEF STAFF OFFICER.

[7,935 is John Archibald Harris of Charlottetown, 82nd Battalion; 7,909, is Nelson A. Brace of Charlottetown Engineers.

COMMENDED FOR BRAVERY.

AMONG the men commended for bravery

are Capt. Stairs of Halifax;

Capt. A. H. Mc Donnell, formerly of Fredericton; Private A. Matheson of New Castle, N. B.

BRITISH OCCUPY COLESBERG.

RENSBERG March 1. (Special) Gen. Clements entered Colesberg on Wednesday and was received enthusiastically.

The Boers are in full retreat. A number of leading men have been arrested as rebels.

BOERS ADMIT SOME LOSSES.

STORKSPRUIT March 1. (Special) The Boers admit fifty killed, 125 wounded and 300 missing when Brabant recaptured Jamestown.



GEN. SIR GEORGE S. WHITE.



GEN. SIR REDVER BULLER.



LORD DUNDONALD.

TEMPERATURE FOR FEBRUARY.

	1880	1890
Mean Temperature	23.1	21.2
Min "	9.0	15.6
Range "	14.4	15.6
Mean Temperature	16.2	23.5
Precipitation—Rainfall in inches	1.03	1.89
" Snow fall "	22.00	0.00
Total rain and melted snow in inches	3.29	2.89
Average depth of snow on ground end of month in inches	14.00	not measurable
Warmest day 5th, Temperature	43.2	25th 46.7
Coldest day 1st, "	6.9	27th 6.0
	below zero	below 0

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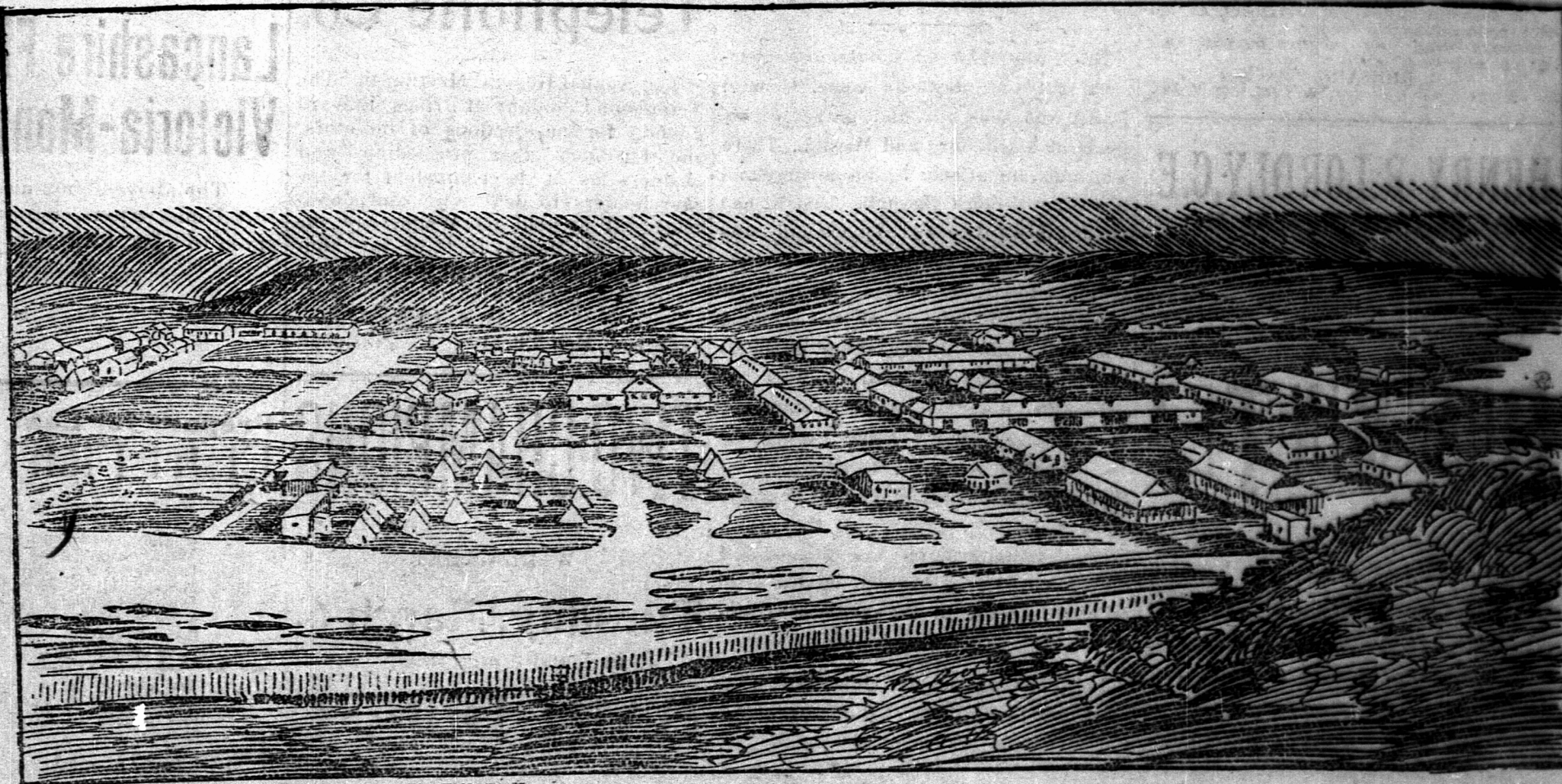
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