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## STORMBERG EVACUATED.

### Brabant Forces Boers to Retreat.

#### THE BOER FORCES IN A NEW POSITION.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EXAMINER.

##### BRABANT'S VICTORY.

DORDRECHT, March 5.—Following up yesterday's success General Brabant again engaged the Boers today, with the advantage of holding the position captured.

Yesterday there was smart fighting. This morning the British, losing some five or six men, captured the Boer fort, thus vastly improving their position.

The Boers fought tenaciously, contesting every inch of ground. But ultimately they retreated suddenly, carrying off their guns and waggons.

A mounted force pursued them, but the result is not yet known.

The British casualties, during the two days, were thirty wounded and twelve killed.

The Boer losses are unknown. Throughout the arduous fighting and severe fatigue, the Colonials behaved splendidly.

##### AT THE FRONT.

OSFONTEIN, March 6.—The Boers' front covers eighteen miles to the south of Modder River. General French had a successful skirmish yesterday morning with the enemy.

##### REVIEWED IN LONDON.

LONDON, March 6.—The news from the front, yesterday, was stale, flat and unprofitable.

Belated accounts of the Ladysmith operations disclose the fact that Long Tom had not been captured at Bulwana and that the Boers had carried off all the artillery except two small guns.

A full list of the casualties of Buller's operations during the ten days' fight has been posted at the War Office and is heavier than had been expected.

The aggregate is about 1100 including 140 killed.

The relief of Ladysmith and the release of 11,000 men have justified these losses. The officers of General Buller's army,

in their letters to friends, after the battle of Colenso, assumed that Ladysmith could not be relieved without a loss of 10,000 men.

There was no news at midnight from Lord Roberts' headquarters, and despatches from Generals Clement's and Gatacre's fields of operations contained nothing of real importance.

The Times, today, has despatches from Lorenzo Marques on the political situation of the two republics and the relations of the two presidents. But there is no evidence that either Kruger or Steyn is thinking seriously of negotiating for peace.

The war seems likely to drag on for many months, unless they become convinced that they can get better terms by asking promptly for a settlement on the basis of Suzerainty of the British Crown and legislative autonomy, the payment of indemnities, and equality in conditions of suffrage.

##### BIG EXPENDITURES.

LONDON, March 6.—The budget statement, submitted in the House of Commons yesterday shows that the expenditure of £154,082,000 has to be provided for in the budget of 1900-1901, and shows that the exchequer of 1899-1900 would have given a surplus of upwards of £5,000,000, but that the supplementary war estimates of £23,000,000 make an expenditure exceeding the revenue by £17,970,000.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer, after laying the figures before the House, pointed out that the country had to face a total estimated expenditure, in consequence of the war, of no less than six times as much as had been estimated in October last.

##### BRITISH POSITIONS.

LONDON, March 6.—A despatch to the Standard, from Osfontein, dated Sunday, says that Lord Roberts' army now occupies a most advantageous position.

The sixth division under Kelly-Kenny is posted on the right and holds all the kopjes for a distance of five miles south of the Modder.

The Seventh Division, under General Tucker, is in the centre, immediately south of the river, and General Colville, with the Ninth Division, is on the north bank.

The cavalry brigade, under General French is posted on the left front and the mounted infantry under Ridley Martyns on the right front.

The country around consists of wide grassy plains, broken only by ridges and isolated kopjes.

A body of the enemy has taken up a position on one of the latter flat-topped hills to the north of Rivers, five miles beyond General French, who today took out his horse artillery and shelled them.

Another force of 4,000 strong, holds an isolated group of kopjes south of Modder River and in front of the British mounted infantry.

Their position is surrounded on all sides by level plains over which the Boers must make their way in order to reach the river. As a consequence their situation appears to be precarious in the extreme.

##### KRUGER'S TERMS.

BRUSSELS, March 6.—The Transvaal agency here confirms the statement that President Kruger is ready to conclude a peace with Great Britain on the basis of the independence of two republics, and that otherwise the struggle will continue to the bitter end.

##### STORMBERG EVACUATED.

STERKSTROOM, March 5.—Stormberg was found by the British to have been evacuated by the Boers last night.

##### MORE BRITISH GAINS.

DORDRECHT, March 6.—General Brabant has scored a complete victory. The Boers are in full retreat with their guns and waggons and are being pursued.

STERKSTROOM, March 5, (evening).—General Gatacre entered Stormberg unopposed today. The Boers destroyed the railway approach but the station is intact.

##### TO RELIEVE MAFEKING.

CAPE TOWN, March 6.—A strong British force, including the Kimberley Light Horse, the Canadian Infantry and a portion of the artillery, is marching northward from Kimberley to relieve Mafeking. It is expected that the crossing of the Vaal River will be disputed at Fourteen Streams where the railway bridge has been wrecked.

##### REINFORCEMENTS.

OTTAWA, March 6.—It is officially announced that men will be enlisted for Africa to fill the places of the killed and wounded and otherwise disabled of the first contingent.

#### SPORTING WORLD.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

MONTREAL, March 6.—The Shamrocks beat the Crescents hockey team of Halifax, ten to two last evening.

NEW YORK, March 6.—Sharkey and Fitzsimmons have signed articles of agreement, for a 25-round bout before the club offering the largest purse the first week in August—winner to take all the purse.

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