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Further Details of Their Flight.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EXAMINER.

THE SITUATION.

POPULAR GROVE, Orange Free State, March 9.—General French, who is ten miles ahead, reports that his front is clear of the Boers.

All other reports tend to confirm a state of disorganization in the Boer forces in the Transvaal as well as in the Free State. The general impression is that the further progress of the British to Bloemfontein will not be opposed.

A SWORD FOR CRONJE.

PARIS, March 10.—Subscriptions have closed for a sword to be presented to General Cronje. Nearly 1300 francs have been collected.

CORRESPONDENT'S REPORTS.

LONDON, March 10.—Special despatches from Poplar Grove confirm the reports of the panic of the Boers.

The Morning Post's correspondent says: President Kruger shed tears at his ineffectual attempts to rally the Boers who were completely paralyzed by Lord Roberts, masterly tactics. They were too demoralized to heed his expostulations and declared that the British cannon were everywhere.

AT NORVAL'S POINT.

LONDON, March 9, 9.05 p. m.—The War Office has issued the following despatch from Lord Roberts:

"General Clements has occupied Norval's Point and the adjacent drift.

As soon as the engineers' pontoon and troops arrive he will cross the river, when necessary repairs to the railway bridge will be commenced.

General Gatacre occupied Burgersdorp on March 7th, and was greeted with great enthusiasm on the part of the loyal inhabitants.

His scouts report that large numbers

of the rebels in the neighborhood are anxious to surrender.

BOERS DISORGANIZED.

POPULAR GROVE, March 10.—Wednesday's move has accomplished more than was thought. The Boer flight appears to mean the desintegration of the enemy, whose organization has gone.

Moreover, President Kruger's personal authority over the Free State has snapped.

We now know, as a fact, that Kruger was personally present during the fight. He slept on Tuesday night at Poplar Grove, where we are now encamped. On Wednesday, finding that his personal influence was exhausted, he made a fervent exhortation to the Burghers quoting scriptural passages and making appeals to biblical prophecy to induce them to stand. They fled, however. He then fled also never staying his flight until Abraham's Kraal was reached.

No immediate opposition is now expected. Indeed there is no trace of the enemy for miles. The infantry was practically outside the picture of Wednesday's battle.

The correspondent of the Daily News says: "The Boers were seized with panic thus spoiling the whole plan, which had been beautifully calculated to destroy them utterly.

As the 16th Division emerged from a hidden position and appeared on the crest with mounted infantry in skirmishing order, the Boers thought the whole earth was covered with soldiers, in their front and rear and on their flanks.

They did not wait to verify their supposition but fled, seized apparently with dread that they might share the fate of Cronje.

Death of Mr. Phelps.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

NEW HAVEN, March 10.—Hon. E. J. Phelps, ex-minister to England, is dead.

Deserved Promotion.

LONDON, March 9.—Lloyd's Weekly states that Lieutenant-General White, the commander at Ladysmith, will be promoted to general, and that the appointment will be gazetted next week. Lord Dundonald will obtain a junior step on the grade to major general. The service regulations prevent the immediate promotion of General Buller, but his work will be recognized at no distant date.

AN ATTRACTIVE programme is being prepared for the hospital concert next Thursday evening, March 15th. Make no other engagement for that evening.

RUSSIA PREPARING FOR WAR

Great Excitement at Lloyds.

BELIEF THAT AN ADVANCE UPON BRITISH POSSESSIONS IS IMMINENT.

LONDON, March 10.—Lloyds was, yesterday, thrown into a state of much perturbation by the receipt, from Lloyds agent at Sebastopol, of a code word signifying Russia was making there, surprising warlike preparations.

Lloyds, committed cabled back asking for the details out of cipher, as the committee believed that a wrong code word must have been used.

The reply came at once that the code word was quite correct and that active warlike preparations were proceeding at Sebastopol.

"Now," said a member of Lloyds, "Agents are not hysterical journalists. Put what interpretation you like upon it, it is my belief that Russia means business, to some one, and may not be the unprecedented Royal happenings mean that the Queen calls her people, not forgetting Ireland about her in view of the possibility of a greater storm than we are now weathering in South Africa.

BULLER'S ADVANCE.

BOER HEADQUARTERS, Biggarberg, March 10.—Shots were exchanged this morning near Helpmakaar with a small body of the British, who retired heavily. Our scouts reports that the British main advance is coming from Ladysmith towards Sunday's River.

A Costly Horse.

LONDON, March 9.—At the sale today of the late Duke of Westminster's string of race horses, Kingscleric, England, Flying Fox, winner of the Derby, the thousand guineas, the Eclipse staker, and the Doncaster St. Leger, was purchased by Edmond Blanc for 37,000 guineas, about \$196,900. Blanc is a son of the founder of Monte Carlo and brother-in-law of Roland Bonaparte. His competitor in the bidding for Flying Fox was a man named Gilpin, who was bidding for an American, probably William C. Whitney.

LECTURE.—A very clear new war map has been specially prepared to illustrate Mr. McCready's lecture in the Baptist Church, Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock. His subject, the "Transvaal War," is of great interest at this juncture. Admission 15 cents.

District Division No. 4 S. of T. will meet at Kingston with Kensington Star Division on Thursday, March 22nd at 2 p. m. By order H. W. Toombs, District Scribe.

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Government Appointment.

[SPECIAL TO THE EXAMINER.]

OTTAWA, March 10.—Andrew E. Mills has been appointed wharfinger of Murray Harbor North, P. E. Island, in place of William Miller, resigned.

A Sad Case.

COLENSO, March 9.—One of the most pathetic incidents of the Boers' hurried flight is that many children were found in the trenches, lost, if not forgotten, by their parents.

Canadians Ill.

OTTAWA, March 9.—A cable from Governor Alfred Milner to the militia department this afternoon states that 7,541, Corporal W. H. Grant, 48th Highlanders, Toronto, and Private F. B. Irwin, 8th Royal Rifle, are seriously ill in Wynberg hospital.



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