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THE CAPTURE OF PRINLSOO.

ROBERTS' MILITARY STRATEGY DID IT. (Times Correspondent.)

CAPETOWN, Aug. 16.—The capture of Prinsloo was the result of a most elaborate piece of military strategy, well thought out and well carried out. It will be remembered that after Lord Roberts forced his way to Pretoria the whole of the eastern Free State was thrown into a ferment by the raids of a strong body of Boers led by De Wet. Our troops under Methuen, Clements and Rundle had at various times met these Free State Boers, and had always 'driven them off,' 'dispersed them or 'utterly routed them'; but no amount of dispersing and routing had any lasting effect on the mercurial spirits of De Wet and his following, and it became clear that nothing short of absolutely surrounding them would bring their career to an end. People at a distance are always unable to understand why our troops cannot overtake and destroy these Boer commandos but South Africa is thickly sprinkled with natural fortresses in the shape of kopjes, and all that a Boer leader has to do when hard pressed is to throw a strong rear-guard into some suitable kopjes and let them hold the position all day, while he marches his guns and waggons off out of danger. At this kind of fighting De Wet was an absolute genius. Given half an hour's start and a few kopjes to go through, he would protect his rear all day long, retreating from kopje to kopje as occasion required, moving his transport all the time, and finally escaping at night. In the open country of the Free State it was impossible to surround him, as he could march north, south, east or west at pleasure; and the only country that held out any hope was down on the Basuto border. Here there was a chance to get him into a net, because the Caledon river formed a boundary which the Boers dared not cross, and the surrounding mountains had only a few roads by which wheeled transports could move. When once he was driven in among these mountains it would be a fairly easy matter to watch all the passes and prevent him from getting his waggons and guns out again. The Boers dared not cross into Basutoland for fear that the natives would in return come into the Free State and ravage the farms; so that Lord Roberts' tactics were to drive the Boers in among these hills and close in on them; and these tactics were more likely to succeed, because the Boers were quite willing to go into the hills, looking upon them as a stronghold and not as a trap.

On June 19, Ian Hamilton's force left Pretoria to co-operate with the troops then in the Free State in this closing movement, but an accident to Hamilton left Sir Archibald Hunter in command. Nearing Lindley, the force heard the guns firing where Paget and Clements were engaging De Wet, but Hunter's force did not turn off to Lindley to join in the fighting, but marched steadily along on Bethlehem, thus blocking De Wet from darting over to Harrismith. On arrival at Bethlehem it was found that Clements and Paget had driven the enemy down through Bethlehem and the Boers had gone into the hills, and matters now became exciting. A high semi-circular range of hills runs round Fouriesburg, and once inside those hills it should have been impossible for them to get their waggons out, as the Caledon river was at the back of them, and the only passes in the hills were Commando Nek, down below Fouriesburg, Slabberts Nek, and Retiefs Nek near Bethlehem, and Naauwpoort Nek and Golden Gate at the head of the Caledon Valley. Hunter sent Bruce Hamilton to Naauwpoort Nek and Golden Gate, and watched Retiefs Nek himself; Paget was at Slabberts Nek and Rundle was holding Commando Nek; so it really looked as though the Boers were fairly trapped. Then it was that the genius of De Wet showed itself. He must have realized at once that he had got himself into a trap, and he swiftly set getting clear again. He took fifteen hundred picked men and five guns; each man was well mounted and had a led horse to carry all his gear, and the supplies of ammunition were carried on light carts, well horsed. It unfortunately happened that Paget was not camped quite close enough to Slabberts Nek, and De Wet seized the opportunity to slip through in the

night. He got his force clear on top of the hills, and as soon as he was clear he set off across the country at a great pace, leaving a rear-guard as usual to engage Paget's force. The first news that Hunter had of his escape was the sound of the C. I. V. battery engaging De Wet's rear-guard. Hunter sent his cavalry under Broadwood and his mounted infantry under Ridley to assist Paget's force, and if possible, bring De Wet to a standstill. How De Wet got away in spite of their pursuit is now well known, and we must return to the Boers who did not accompany De Wet.

About 6,000 of these remained in the hills from choice thinking they were safe there, and as they were all local men they did not wish to leave their own district and go away to the Transvaal. They were led by Roux and Prinsloo, the former being a clergyman who had taken up the cause of his flock, and the latter an old farmer who was elected to the position on account of his having had experience in the native wars. Our troops made simultaneous attacks on all the passes; at Retiefs Nek the Boers fought desperately, and their position was only carried by a daring rush of the Seaforth Highlanders. One company of this regiment, headed by a subaltern, crept up to within a few yards of a ravine held by the Boers, and then charged across the open at the run, the Boers fleeing down the sides of the ravine. This gave us the neck, and it was well to get it with so little loss—100 casualties—as the position is beyond all comparison stronger than that held by Cronje at Magersfontein. Rundle and Paget—or rather Clements, as he had come to join Paget—forced their way in at Commando Nek and Slabberts Nek respectively, but Bruce Hamilton could make no headway at Naauwpoort Nek. Hector Macdonald was therefore sent round to reinforce him, and also to see that the pass known as Golden Gate was securely blocked; and here occurred another leakage which might have been prevented. No one appeared to know exactly where Golden Gate was, and whether it was a pass through which vehicles could be brought. Such local people as were forthcoming differed very much in their stories. Some said Golden Gate was quite impassable; others that it was a fairly easy road; it was thought better to occupy it, but it could only be reached from where our troops were by going through Naauwpoort Nek, and the delay in carrying this nek gave the more astute of the Boers a chance to get out at Golden Gate. Of this they were not slow to avail themselves. Olivier got out and took about 1,000 men with him, and even when our troops closed in the valley at all ends there was nothing to prevent the Boers from riding over the mountains at night. It must be understood that these operations were

not conducted in a small area. It was nearly 20 miles by the track from where Hunter and Rundle were, at the southern end of the valley, to where Macdonald was, at the other end of the Golden Gate; it was impossible to surround 20 miles of mountain road, and all that Hunter could do was to block the passes and make sure of the waggons and carts, and these terms Hunter conceded. The result was that men who had actually gone out of the valley at night came back to surrender. As Roux, the fighting preacher, put it, 'the Boers love their carts more than their fatherland.' And thus with a few casualties, the bulk of the Free State forces were gathered in like so many sheep. They came in for hour after hour with waggons, carts, oxen and horses, all heartily sick of the war, but all more or less puzzled as to how they had got trapped. They would not have surrendered but for the hopelessness of fighting where they were, and the prospect of leaving all their transport and going out into the snow-clad mountains without any gear whatever quite cowed them and made them surrender with little reluctance. Hunter has been blamed for giving them their waggons and gear, but if it had not been for this thousands would have got away at night, and in these gorges and ravines no human skill could have prevented their doing so.

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