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## The Transvaal War

### GENERALS CRITICISED.

#### LORD ROBERTS' COMMENTS ON THE EVACUATION OF SPION KOP.

In his despatches of the 13th February.—After sketching General Buller's intentions, as communicated to Sir Charles Warren, who commanded the whole force, Lord Roberts points out that after consultation of his officers, that the flanking movement ordered by General Buller was impracticable, and therefore, so changed the plan of advance as to necessitate the capture and retention of Spion Kop. Regarding the withdrawal from Spion Kop, the retention of which had become essential to the relief of Ladysmith, Lord Roberts says: "I regret to be unable to concur with Buller in thinking Thornycroft exercised wise discretion in ordering the troops to retire. I am of the opinion that Thornycroft's assumption of responsibility and authority was wholly inexcusable. During the night the enemy's fire could not have been formidable, and it would not have taken more than two or three hours for Thornycroft to communicate by messenger with Major General Coke or Warren. Coke appears to have left Spion Kop at 9.30 p. m. for the purpose of consulting with Warren. Up to that hour the idea of withdrawal had not been entertained. Yet, almost immediately after Coke's departure, Thornycroft issued the order, without reference to superior authority, which upset the whole plan of operations and rendered unavailing the sacrifices already made to carry it into effect. It is to be regretted that Warren did not himself visit Spion Kop in the afternoon or evening, knowing as he did, that the state of affairs was very critical and that the loss of position would involve the failure of the operations. I believe Buller was justified in remarking: 'There was a want of organization and system which acted most unfavorably on the defence.' The attempt to relieve Ladysmith was well devised, and I agree with Buller in thinking it ought to have succeeded. That it failed may in some measure have been due to the difficulties of the ground and the commanding positions held by the enemy and probably also to errors of judgment and want of administrative capacity on the part of Warren. But whatever faults Warren may have committed, the failure must also be attributed to the disinclination of the officer in supreme command to assert his authority and see what he thought best was done, and also to the unwarrantable and needless assumption of responsibility by a subordinate officer."  
 The despatch concludes: "The gratifying feature of these despatches is the admirable behaviour of the troops throughout the operation. General Buller's report commenting on General Warren's reports of the capture and evacuation of Spion Kop, after disputing the correctness of one of Warren's assertions and describing the dangerous situation occupied by Warren's force, tells that he saw the force of Spion Kop had given away before Warren knew of it. Buller therefore telegraphed to Warren: 'Unless you put a really good, hard fighting man in command on top you will lose the hill. I suggest Thornycroft.' General Buller continues: 'I have not thought it necessary to order an investigation. If at sundown the defence of the summit had been taken in hand, entrenchments laid out and the dead and wounded removed, the whole place would have been brought under military commands and the hills would have been held, I am sure. But no arrangements were made. Coke appears to have been ordered away just as he would have been useful, and no one succeeded him. Those on top were ignorant of the fact that there was a want of organization and system that acted most unfavorably on the defence. It is admitted that all of Thornycroft's command acted with the greatest gallantry throughout the day and really saved the situation. But preparation for the second day's de-

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fence should have been organized during the day and commenced at night-fall. As this was not done I think that Thornycroft exercised wise discretion.' General Warren sets forth the fact that the Spion Kop operations had not entered into his original plans, as his instructions were to occupy a plain north of it. On consultation with the commander-in-chief, Jan. 21, however, when the question of retiring from or attacking Spion Kop was discussed, Warren expressed his preference for attacking. This was successfully accomplished by General Woodgate. Then came the order of the commander-in-chief to put Thornycroft in command on the summit. In the meantime Warren had sent Gen. Coke up to reinforce him with orders to assume command. Effectual efforts were made to heliograph Thornycroft and ask whether he had assumed command. Towards sunset he was enabled to get orders through and concluded the position could be held the next day if guns could be provided and shelter obtained. Both these conditions were about to be fulfilled when 'In the absence of Coke, whom I had ordered to come and report in person on the situation, the evacuation took place under orders given on his own responsibility by Thornycroft. This occurred in the vigorous fact protests of Coke's brigade major and others.' In conclusion, General Warren said: 'It is a matter for the commander-in-chief to decide whether there will be any investigation into the question of the unauthorized evacuation of Spion Kop'

### THE BRITONS' PLEDGE.

Lord Ernest Hamilton contributes this to the Pall Mall Gazette under the title, "A Pledge":  
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As a result of a subscription among school children and messenger boys in New York and Philadelphia, enough money was raised to send a delegate to South Africa. The New York Commercial Advertiser says:  
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### BRITAIN AND PORTUGAL.

The projected landing of General Sir Frederick Carrington's Division at Beira—a Portuguese port—en route for Rhodesia, is a significant reminder that Portugal stands to England in a relation which no other power in the world can boast. She is, and for more than five centuries has been, her close ally. The alliance is carefully defined and conditioned in a series of treaties; the first, still valid, and operative, was signed and sealed on June 16, 1373; the last specifically extending the scope of earlier instruments to Beira, is dated 520 years later. The earlier members of this unique series of treaties may be read in the Parliamentary Paper (C.—9088) presented to the House of Lords in December, 1898, where also it appears that they were last put into operation against a European Power by Lord Granville in February, 1873, when he warned Spain that "there were treaty engagements between Portugal and Great Britain to defend Portugal against external aggression, and that the Spaniards could not count upon the indifference of England to an external attack upon Portugal."  
 Portugal suffers from a Republican opposition which is pleased to be virulently anti-British; yet the Portuguese would do well to remember that if they have a parliamentary arena of their own in which to disport themselves it is solely owing to these treaties and to the protection of England which they enjoy thereunder.—London Outlook.

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