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British Losses Said to Have Been Heavy.

OFFICIAL REPORT OF MOVEMENT

Been Taught to Respect Fighting

LONDON, Jan. 28.-General Buller says

General Warren's troops have retreated

south of the Tugela river. The Boers say

the British lost 1500 killed Wednesday. It

is believed here this includes the wounded.

The Boers also claim that 150 of the English troops surrendered at Spionkop.

British Left 1500 Dend.

BOER HEAD LAAGER, Ladysmith,

Jan. 25, 7 P. M .- The British dead left

on the battle-field yesterday numbered

ACCOUNT OF THE MOVEMENT.

Buller's Official Dispatch to the War

Office-The Fighting.

LONDON, Jan. 28.-General Buller's dis-

patch to the war office states that Spion-

kop was abandoned on account of lack

Qualities of His Troops.

Buller Thinks Transvaulers Have

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with the evident intention of reaching Ladysmith by another route. Following is the text of General Bul-

ler's dispatch, dated Spearman's Camp, Saturday, Jan. 27, 6:10 P. M.: "On January 20 Warren drove back the enemy and obtained possession of the southern crests of the high tableland extending from the line of Acton Homes and Hongerspoort to the western Ladysmith hills. From then to January 25 he

remained in close contact with the enemy. Boers Held Strong Position. "The enemy held a strong position on

a range of small kopjes stretching from northwest to southeast across the plateau position, and water supplies were a difficulty.

"On January 23 I assented to his attacking Spoinkop, a large hill, indeed, a mountain which was evidently the key to the position, but was far more accessible from the north than from the south. On the night of January 23 he attacked Spionkop, but found it very difficult to hold, as its perimeter was too large, and water, which he had been led to believe existed, in this extraordinary

dry season was found very deficient. "The crests were held all that day against severe attacks, and a heavy shell fire. Our men fought with great gallantry. I would especially mention the conduct of the Second Cameronians and the Third King's rifles, who supported the attack on the mountain from the steepest side, and in each case fought their way to the top; and the Second Lancashire fusiliers, and Second Middlesex, who magnificently maintained the best traditions of the British army throughout the trying day of January 24; and Thorneycroft's mounted infantry, who fought through the day equally well alongside

of them. "General Woodgate, who was in command of the summit, having been wounded, the officer who succeeded him decided on the night of January 24 to abandon the position, and did so before dawn January 25.

"I reached Warren's camp at 5 A. M. on January 25, and decided that a second attack upon Splonkop was useless, and that the enemy's right was too strong to allow me to force it.

Decided to Withdraw. "Accordingly, I decided to withdraw the force to the south of the Tugela. At 6 A. M. we commenced withdrawing the men, and by 8 A. M., January 27 (Saturday), Warren's force was concentrated south of the Tugela without the loss of

"The fact that the force should withdraw from actual touch-in some cases the lines were less than 1000 yards apart-with the enemy in the manner it did, is, I think, sufficient evidence of the morale of the troops, and that we were permitted to withdraw our cumbrous ox and mule transports across the river, 85 yards broad, with 20-foot banks and a very swift current, unmolested, is, I think, proof that the enemy has been taught

ACCOUNT FROM BOER SIDE. Desperate Fight, in Which They

Drove British From Trenches, Enthusiasm in Barbadoes, ST. THOMAS, D. W. I., Jan. 28.-An enthusiastic meeting was held in Bridge-ton, Barbadoes, last Wednesday, to consider steps for the organization of a volunthe empire.

> Jan. 26.—It is reported here that as the result of "Long Tom's" practice on Monday, Dr. Jameson was wounded in the President Steyn has visited this

vance was made. The horses were left under the first terrace of rocks.

tunity and entrenched heavily. Betwee the lines of trenches was an open veidt, which had to be rushed under a heavy ler's Tactics. fire, not only from rifles, but of lyddite

DISAPPOINTMENT OF LADYSMITH Free State Krupps, a Creusot and a big

> Papers Breathe Air of Calm Determination, and Urge Greater Energy in the War.

LONDON, Jan. 29, 4:15 A. M.-The week has opened with the utmost gloom for the British public, and the reaction is all the kopjes east of Spionkop. Many of the stronger because of the high hopes that Boers were shot, but so numerous were were reposed in General Buller's turning movement and of his announcement that

At the very moment when Dr. Leyds is

being received as an honored guest in the belched flame, but a wall of fire from highest circles on the Continent, Great the Mausers held the English back. Their Britain has to face the worst disaster in under this pressure, gradually a campaign thus far disastrous. Open gave way and broke, abandoning the po- talk is heard of the absolute necessity of abandoning Ladysmith to its fate, while Lord Roberts resorts to the original plan of an adavace over the Orange river upon Bloemfontein. To Ladysmith the disap-pointment must be very bitter. A dissummit to shoot the Dublin fusillers, sheltered in the trenches.

Firing continued for some time, and hen the fusillers and light horse, serving as infantry, threw up their arms and be regarded as a certainty that in the confident hope of early relief, Sir George White has lately been issuing extra rakop by the English can hardly be gauged tions, and th's fact has given rise to an as yet, but it must prove immense. An exaggerated idea as to the length of time throughly high proportion of lyddite shells it be decided to send General Buller reinforcements and to attempt to reach Ladysmith by a movement through the still more difficult country east of Co-lenso, it is extremely doubtful whether the garrison could hold out long enough

as such a movement would occupy at least a month. The Times says: "The most carefully planned and exe-cuted movement of the whole campaign has entirely failed, and it can hardly be necessary to dwell upon the extreme prob-ability that we shall learn, a little sooner l'abanyama mountain during last night, or a little later, of a catastrophe almost beyond precedent in our military history; a catastrophe, indeed, without a parallel

except in the surrender at Yorktown.
"We are checked at every point of the campaign. In fact, the campaign is still advance of our forces has been checked.

"Again and again attempts have been that even now the government has any adequate comprehension of the situation. The utterances of responsible ministers had been their attacks, however, the Beers have done nothing to reassure the country

Meanwhile, the King's Royal rifles, approaching from the Potgleter's drift side of the mountain range, began the ascent of Spionicop. The heights at the place where they arrived were precipitous, and the steps to send yet another where they arrived were precipitous, and take steps to send yet another where they arrived were precipitous, and their task was no light one. They advanced, however, and apparently, at first, without knowledge of the Boers, but before reaching the top they became exposed to a flank fire from the enemy.

"The last part of the hill was even more precipitous than the road lights which the second state of the process of the second state of

All the editorials this morning breather

hands and feet, sometimes crawling on the country from the object it was their knees, until, panting and exhausted, itself to attain, whatever the sacrifices their knees, until, panting and exhausted, itself to attain, whatever the sacrifices which may be involved. Very frank critical the government, however, is befrom Acton Homes, through Spionkop, to the left bank of the Tugela. The actual position held was perfectly tenable, but down on the ground with a cheer. It was grandly accomplished.

The actual the reached the top and threw themselves down on the ground with a cheer. It which may be involved. Very frank crut-clim of the government, however, is beginning to be heard, even in quarters that have hitherto refrained. The Daily Mail chael Hicks-Beach, Lord Lansdowne and Lord Wolseley. It points to President Lincoln's dismissal of Simon Cameron precedent for "getting rid of incompetent inistere

The Morning Post dwells upon danger of further rebellion at the Cape and of possible European complications. It urges that the navy be prepared for "any emergency.'

About 2 o'clock on the morning of January 24 (Wednesday), when heavy clouds rested upon the konies the morning of the fighting at Spionkon Garage The Standard and other papers reflecrested upon the kopies, the main point of the lighting at Spionkop, General Buller's obscurity in his dispatches is rather the Boer position. Tabanyama, was stormed by the British infantry, under General Woodgate. Our force crossed over a ravine and climbed the mountain side steadily, getting within 30 yards of the company first line of trenches. The Board of the dispatch is visited by the state of the dispatch is recurred. of the disaster is virtually impossible

who had been asleep, decamped, leaving It appears that General Buller and alto-everything behind, and the British with gether five brigades wholly or par ally engaged, General Cooke's, General Hild yard's, General Hart's, General Wood-gate's and General Lyttleton's, and the 270 casualties already announced in Lytte-ton's brigade are thus explained. Much mystery still aurrounds the retreat. It is possible that General Buller has with-drawn his whole forces, but it is generally assumed that Lyttleton's brigade and Lord Dundonald's cavalry and other troops are still on the north side of the Tugela.

General Buller's confidence that the Boars did not molest his retreat because they had been taught to respect the fighting powers of the British soldier, I It is thought rather that the Boers had some other plan in store, or did not wish to waste their men. Large arrivals of troops are due at Cape Town during the week. There has been great activity in military quarters in all parts of England since Saturday morn-

The war office, anticipating a great placed new restrictions upon visitors dur-

Usual "No News" at War Office. During the morning and the earlier part of the afternoon, a placard bearing the words "No news" hung on the iron railing in front of the war office; and the shiverng sentrica who stood guard on Pall Mall in the rain and sleet had the district all to themselves. About 3 P. M., however, tended on the plain in front of Mount Alice, and within two hours scaled the height of Spionkop under a heavy fire. the placard was taken in, and on the bulletin boards inside General Buller's

long dispatch was displayed. The Sunday papers issued extras, but only the faintest interest was manifested in the streets. At the service clubs the situation as revealed by General Buller was considered very unpleasant. His excuses or explanations were characterized as very weak. The absence of water, which Sir Charles Warren was "led to believe" existed, and the facts that Spion-kop was "indeed a mountain," and that its perimeter was too large, are all matters which even General Buller's warmest admirers hold should have been ascertained

before he attacked.

One comforting feature of the situation, however, is the fact that General Buller's retirement across the Tugela was accom-plished without loss, which puts an end to the unpleasant rumors that were in cir-

headquarters near Ladysmith, via Lour- congre enco Marques, says that 1500 British dead Washington.

were left on the battlefield. This number is thought to include the wounded. The report also stated that General Bul-ler had been down with fever, but had

If Boer reports are to be accepted, "the abandonment of Spionkop was due to the inability of the British to resist the Boer attack, the Boers carrying the first trenches and taking 150 prisoners."

The following the state of the The following disputch has been received

in London from Pretoria, dated January 25, via Lourenco Marques, January 28: "The government is advised that, after heavy fighting near Spionkop, some Brit-ish on the kop being stormed hoisted a white flag. One hundred and fifty prisoners. God be thanked, although we also had to give brave and valuable lives." The situation at other points is unchanged, but indications that Lord Roberts is preparing plans for an advance agrots the Orange river come in a dispatch to the Delly Chronicle from Sterkstroom, dated January 3, which says that Theblis, an important position near Stormberg, on the Stormberg-Rosmend line, is now occupied by the British, who are repairing the rallway and bridges

### LEYDS IS LIONIZED.

Given Distinguished Consideration in Germany's Capital.

LONDON, Jan. 29 .- The Berlin correent of the Daily Mail says: Dr. Leyds is a popular lion here. He is being welcomed with an enthusiasm ord-narily extended only to the most favored envoys. I have ascertained from unim-peachable evidence that he is trying to induce Germany to mediate on the basis of a guarantee of the independence of the Boer republics, which would be granted some minor territorial concess not a port, this latter being left for future negotiation with a certain power having ies in South Africa. Layds is offering Germany commer-

cial, rallway and mining monopolles as here he will try Washington through ex-Consul Macrum and Montagu White, and St. Petersburg by an envoy to Russia. It is not likely that he will obtain an audlence of Emperor William. During his reception by Count von Bulow, no political matters were mentioned.

War Will Last Long. BERLIN, Jan. 28.-The Deutsche Tages

Zeitung publishes an interview today with Dr. Leyds, which represents him as hav-The war will certainly last a very long

time. The Transvaal will decidedly not be the first to seek peace, and will refuse any propositions on the basis of the status

Frenchmen Not Loug Detained. LONDON, Jan. 29.—The correspondent f the Times at Lourenco Marques, telegraphing Thursday, January 25, says:

"Over 30 Frenchmen who arrived here by the French steamer Girondo and were prohibited from proceeding to the Transvaal, appealed to the French consul, wno protested that they had passports by the Transvaal consul, and who declared he would hold the Portuguese government liable in damages for a breach of inter-national law in the event of continued refusal to allow them to go forward. As the Portuguese governor-general had pre-viously signed the passports, he was com-pelled to admit the validity of the French consul's contention. The result was that the Frenchmen were allowed to proceed. Eighty more foreigners are expected by a German steamer next week."

Hearing on American Flour. prize court has fixed Monday, Jahuary 25, for the hearing of the charges with respect to the American flour, said to be intended for the Hoers, which was on board the British steamer Mashona, from New York November 3, when she was The overdue transport Manchester Cor-

Satisfied With the Maine,

CAPE TOWN, Jan. 25.-Lord Roberts. after visiting the hospital-ship Maine, over which he was conducted by Lady Randolph Churchill, expressed his entire

## PRO-BOER MEETINGS.

Resolutions of Sympathy Passed by Fervid Minnesotans.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 28.-A pro-Bo mass meeting of citizens was held at the exposition this afternoon, which was attended by about 4000 people, despite fact that the thermometer stood below zero. Frank Larabee presided, and ad-dresses were delivered by Governor Lind, Mayor Gray, Rev. Mr. Cleary and Judge William Prents, of Chicago.

The most sign ficant feature of the occasion was the absence of republicans. Dur-ing the past week 42 prominent citizens of that political faith were invited to act as chairman, but declined. This, how-ever, was not from lack of sympathy with the cause of the Boers, but rather the fear that the meeting would develop pro-nounced anti-expansion sentiments. These fears, however, were groundless, only in two or three instances reference being made to the administration's policy in the Philippines

Resolutions were adopted expressing hearty sympathy with the Boers of South Africa; denouncing the efforts of Great Britain to annihilate their republic and to crush the spirit of freedom; commending the manner in which Com Paul and his people have conducted the war; condemn-ing the British for the use of dum-dum bullets and lyddite shells; protesting against the seizure of American flour, and beseeching the president of the United States to act as mediator between the Boers and the British, to the end that the war, declared to be unjust, may speedily

Ex-Governor Stone Spoke for Boers. ST. LOUIS, Jan. 28.-The Fourteenthstreet theater was packed with enthus astic sympathizers of the Boers this after-noon. Dr. Emil Pretorius, editor of the Westliche Post, acted as chairman and opened the meeting with a brief and inter-esting speech. Addresses were made by ex-Governor Stone, Judges Rombau and Estes, J. W. Taylor and Mr. Ryan.

were adopted. The resolutions are the strongest passed by any pro-Boer mass

meeting yet held in this country.

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Want No Change in Manner of Their Election.

HOUSE FAVORS POPULAR VOTE

Amendment to Constitution Will Be Introduced This Session, but Cannot Pass the Senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28 .- A canvass of congress made by the New York Herald upon the question of the election of menators by direct vote of the people shows that the senate is much opposed to the proposition, while the house is in favor The correspondent observes that this will facilitate communication between General Gatacre and General Kelley-Kenney. of it. A bill for such a constitutional amendment will no doubt pass the house by a large majority, but there is no possibility of it getting through the senate. The canvass includes opinions from governors of states, which show that nearly all favor the change, especially those in the West and South. Some of the Eastern men express themselves against making

any change in the constitution. Governor Geer's sentiments in favor of popular election have already appeared in The Oregonian. Governor Rogers, of

Washington, says:
"Outside of the official classes, public sentiment in the state of Washington is strongly enlisted for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people. Personally, I regard this as a reform devoutly to be wished for, and hope one day to see it made effective."

The opinions obtained also show that the scople of the South are very anxious for the change.

Bears on the Quay Case.

The proposition to change the constitu will have its influence on the Quay Senators are afraid that if Quay and the others are seated there will be a cry raised that senators are getting far-ther and farther away from the people, and that the demand for the amendment would be irresistible. This view comes from men who would like to vote for Quay on personal grounds, but believe they have no constitutional right to do it. Senator Burrows, the only republican on the committee against Quay, says:

"If it is to be decided that the governor of a state has a right to appoint the senator whenever there is a vacancy for any cause, it is my belief that the people will rise in their might and demand that the right to elect be given back to them. There is undoubtedly great unrest among the people of most states on account of the present system of elections by the legisla-ture, or, rather, on account of the scandals which have resulted from this sys-tem. Nothing could well be worse than the conditions that have prevailed in many states, and I do not believe any plan that might be resorted to could possibly be worse than that now in vogue."

Travel Pay for Soldlers.

The war department has notified the military committee of the senate that Senator Turner's bill providing travel pay for Philippine soldlers will cost the gov-ernment over \$7,000,000 should it become a law, and that travel pay was not part of the agreement with soldiers or officers at the time of enlistment. The department indicates, but does not positively state, its disapproval of legislation of this kind.

Idaho and Montana Politics.

Judging from statements that are being made here by Idaho men, that state will be safely republican this year. T. W. Bates, of Boise, who aims to keep abreast of the situation, says that Senator Shoup will be re-elected, and that McKinley will easily get the electoral vote of Idaho. He New York November 3, when she was captured by the British gunboat Partridge of Idaho, as he has been faithful to every last month.

The overfue transport Manchester Corother candidate that may spring up in op-position to him. "So far as the democrats are concerned," he says, "they are out of the race in the West, especially if Bryan is nominated. Every interest in our state is prosperous, and the voters do not care to risk a change. Sheep and cattle men, who were formerly democrats, are almost satisfaction with the arrangements. The to a man in favor of republican policies Maine will sail for Durban tomorrow. now, and they are especially pleased with the present administration."

This same sentiment prevails in Mon-tana, as is shown by a statement of A. L. Smith, a prominent banker of Heiena. He says: "Unquestionably the sentiment in favor of the free and unlimited coinage of silver has declined in our section. I do not mean to say that it has been aban-doned, for a great many people still advocate the 16-to-1 doctrine. Compared with 1996, however, there has been a great change, and the forces that were for Bryan are not so united and aggressive as they were. The republicans who stand with the regular organization are feeling very well satisfied with the outlook. Thou sands who left the party on account of sliver are coming back to it, and many are confident that Montana will give its electoral vote to the republican candidate. The dissensions within the democratic ranks will also be a factor in the coming campaign, and from the bitterness with which the factions fight each other there is no prospect of speedy harm

MUTINY ON THE ETHEL.

Five Dutch Mail Officers Killed by Savages.

VICTORIA, B. C., Jan. 28.-Mail advices received here tell of a wholesals tragedy on the New Zealand brigantine Ethel, in the Straits Settlements, She sailed from Broome, Western Australia, about the end of November, with a cargo of lumber, and has been posted as missing. A telegram was received by the governor of the Straits Settlements from fect that the vessel had been scuttled by part of her crew, who had mutinied and murdered the captain and owner. John Alfred Riddle, together with him son, the mate, the carpenter and three

they had landed at Adult, had a quarrel among themselves. As a result, when they reached Maccassar, one of them informed the Dutch authorities, who arrested the mutineers and seized the valuables and other property they had stolen, News has also reached here of the capture of five officers of a Dutch mail steamer, who imprudently went ashore and were attacked by the savages of New Guinea. A relief party next day found ashes of bonfires and braces, which led them to believe that all five had been killed and eaten by the savages. The New Guinea authorities have sent for a war-

Presbyterian Preacher Resigns. CORTLAND, N. Y., Jan. 28.-At the close of the sermon in the Presbyterian church this morning, Rev. John Timothy Stone sent in his resignation, to take effect March 1, to accept a call to the Brown Memorial church, of Baltimore, to succeed the Rev. Maltby D. Babcock, D. D.

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proaching Vessel Had Succor. SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 28.-From disitches brought by the Hamburg steamer dumnia, it appears that the arrival of he vessel at Tumaco, Colombia, where he touched on the way up, had the ef-sect of saving the place from capture by colombian rebels. The latter had de-nanded the surrender of the town, and anness the surrencer of the town, and he governor was at his wits' end. Just hen the Volumnia was sighted. The wily overnor saw his chance to make a bluff, to he sent a defiant message to the revo-stionists, and told them that the sleamer off port was bringing 500 government thoops. The trick succeeded, and the rebels shandoned their purpose to capture

inited States Collier Out of Order. GIBRALTAR, Jan. 28. - The United tutes collier Alexander has arrived here with her machinery out of order,

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## NO AGITATION IN CHINA. People Take Imperial Changes With

Great Equanimity. PEKING, Jan. 28.-The latest move of the empress dowager appears to be accepted by both officials and people with the greatest equanimity. None of the high officials, either metropolitan or provincial, seem to have thought it worth while even

to enter a protest.

The prevailing impression among all The prevailing impression among all classes of Chinese seems to be that in order to consolidate her power, the empress dowager must, at all costs, offset the removal of the present emperor. Having now felt the pulse of the country, and having found the emperor's party unprepared to rally to its protection, it is likely that the empress dowager is preparing for still more striking move with the advent of the Chinese New Year.

Judging from surface indications, it is almost safe to predict that any action she may take will be accepted quietly, not leading to anything in the shape of internal convulsions or outward complications. Three spurs, precipitous projections, faced

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to respect our soldiers' fighting powers."

BOER HEADQUARTERS, Modderspruit, Upper Tugela, Wednesday, Jan. 24, midnight, via Lourenco Marques, Thursday, Jan. 25. - Some Vryheld burghers from the outposts on the highest hills of the Spionkop group rushed into the laager saying that the kop was unable to stand, that the English had taken it. Reinforcements were ordered up, but nothing could be done for some time, the hill being enveloped in thick mist.

At dawn the Heidelberg and Caroline contingents, supplemented from other commandos, began the ascent of the hill.

## Scaling the steep hill, the Boers found that the English had improved the oppor-

Follows the High Hopes in Bul-

Three forces ascended the three spur co-ordinately, under cover of fire from the

Maxim. The English tried to rush the Boers with the bayonet, but their infantry went down before the Boar rifle fire as before a scythe. The Boer investing party advanced step by step until 2 in the afternoon, when a white flag went up, and 150 men in the

front trenches surrendered, being sent as ners to the head laager. The Boer advance continued on the two the burghers that the gaps filled automatically. Toward twillight they reached there would be no "turning back." the summit of the second kopje, but did not get further. The British Maxims

and shrapnel from field guns,

The prisoners speak highly of the bravery of the burghers, who, despising cover, stood against the skyline edges of the summit to shoot the Dublin fusiliers, sheltered in the trenches.

then the fusillers and light horse, serving as infantry, threw up their arms and The effect of the abandonment of Spion-

did not explode. BEFORE WARREN'S RETREAT. Difficulty in Holding the Kop With-

out Artillery.

LONDON, Jan. 29.-The Daily News pubishes a dispatch, dated Spearman's Camp, Wednesday afternoon, but held back, pre-sumably by the censor, until Friday, Jan-uary 25, 6:40 P. M. The correspondent "Having gallantly taken a portion of

General Warren's troops are finding con-siderable difficulty in holding it. There have been heavy fights today. The Boer shells are splendidly directed, and in the face of the enemy's heavy fire, the further of water, inability to bring artillery there and the heavy Boer fire. General Buller gives no list of casualties. His whole force withdrew south of the Tugela river, had not succeeded in dislodging them. on this point,

precipitous than the road along which they had come, but the brave fellows scram-bled up little by little, sometic es on their

was grandly accomplished.

"There is still the difficulty of keeping this important point without artillery. The position, therefore, is now that the British hold Spionkop, at the east end of the range. They also hold the west end. The Boers are entrenched in the intermediate part, besides holding other entrenched po-sitions on the adjoining kopjes, which com-

BOERS SHOT WITH PRECISION. Were Asleep When British Surprised Them on Spionkop.

mand the British positions.

enemy's first line of trenches. The Boers, ringing cheers, climbed to the summit. The Boers began to fire from several points, but it was apparent that they had been taken completely by surprise, and their resistance was desperate. The crest of the hill was soon won, and the infantry crept along the top of the hill. At day-break, however, the Boers, from a high point on the extreme east, sent a withering fire among the British, which mo-mentarily staggered them. The Boers had the range fixed to a nicety, and their ar-

tillery sent several shells right to the top of the crest, forcing the infantry to take cover. A Boer Nordenfeldt also was worked with great precision.

The British held the position against great odds. At 10 o'clock strong reinforcements were sent up the hill, and advanced in skeleton formation, the enemy

being driven back to the extreme point.

"A Most Successful Movement." LONDON, Jan. 29.-A special dispatch from Spearman's camp, dated Friday, and supplying additional details of the opera-Wednesday, says: "The British made a most successful movement today. They deployed to Gen-eral Warren's right flank, and reinforced the troops in possession of Tabanyama hey were subjected to a heavy Boer hell fire, but stood their ground nobly. "Part of General Lyttleton's brigade ex-

One riffeman who reached the summit be fore his comrades proudly stood on top. Property Since October 10, CAPE TOWN, Friday, Jan. 26.-Sir Alfred Milner, British high commissioner, has issued a proclamation announcing that her majesty's government will not recognize as valid any forfeiture, fine or in-cumbrance upon property in the Trans-vali or the Free State, subsequent to October 10, the date when the war was de-

teer force and to demonstrate the desire of Barbadoes to share in the defense of Dr. Jameson Reported Wounded. HEAD LAAGER, near Ladysmith Thursday, Jan. 25, via Lourenco Marques,

Resolutions very strong and sympathet'c

Abraham Lincoln, they call upon the president of the United States to use his good offices to bring about a quick ending of the culation here and on the Continent. The struggle now on between the Boer republic splendid galiantry of the men in captursplendid galiantry of the men in capturand great pride
to forecast the ultimate victory of Great
and satisfaction. It is taken as an assurance of the ultimate success of the Britwar be stopped. They also ask the president of the United States to at once
the procedure of the Trans-The war office does not give any idea of the casualties in taking and holding vani and Orange Free State officially.

Shionkop, but a report from the Boer

The resolutions are to be sent to the The resolutions are to be sent to the nen representing St. Louis in