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WHITE MUST GIVE UP

Prediction of Abandonment of Ladysmith is Corroborated.

Butler's Position is Causing Anxiety—Give Out Casualties in Dribbles—Usual Preliminary Announcement of Aggregate Loss Withheld—Tends to Give Color to Heavy Boer Estimates of Killed.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The exclusive information of Saturday predicting the imminent abandonment of Ladysmith is now corroborated by the Times and other leading ministerial papers saying Roberts has actually advised that step and it is rumored that the military clubs tonight that General White can only last another week.

The Indian officers acquainted with him and knowing his character are fully convinced that White will make an attempt to cut his way out at any cost, if he suspects an order to surrender is coming, but such an enterprise is recognized as utterly hopeless and would only entail a heavy sacrifice of life.

The cabinet committee of defense was again in session today and I learn there is anxiety about Butler's own position expressed by Roberts, as unless he gets safely south of the Little Tugela with his heavy transport train he will run a grave danger of having his line of communication cut.

It is now known that the defense committee had information of Butler's retreat on Friday morning in the dispatch announcing the abandonment of Spionkop, but the news was concealed until Sunday afternoon. This kind of thing destroys confidence in the reliability of statements by the department.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Berlin correspondent of the Daily Mail says: Dr. Leyds is a popular lion here. He is welcomed with an enthusiasm only extended to most popular envoys.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Leader military expert says: "The enemy has beaten us at the striking game, he has beaten us in strategy and tactics, he has induced us to give up the first plan where he would have hardly had a show and conform to his plan where naturally everything is against us."

The experts score the suggestion that the British abandon General White to his fate, but admit the only hope for success is to revert to the original plan of moving first against the Orange Free State.

From the Boston Transcript: There has lately been found in a town near Bridgeport, Conn., a valuable collection of old letters of nearly a century ago, among them several of George Washington, Andrew Jackson, Daniel Webster, Henry Clay, James Monroe and John Quincy Adams.

Washing Embroidery. Rain water and white castile soap in lukewarm suds is the best mixture in which to wash embroideries.

WORKING KANSAS EDITORS

"Coin" Harvey Gets a Large Amount of Advertising, Paying in Promises.

TOPEKA, Jan. 29.—The zealous populist papers of Kansas are being neatly uncoiled by designing members of the democratic national committee and "Coin" Harvey, and are running free of charge a double column, ten-inch advertisement of "Coin's" books, that are being sold and pushed by the national committee.

CHIENNE, Wyo., Jan. 29.—A report reached this city that a posse of Union Pacific detectives headed by Tom Horr had run down two of the Hole-in-the-Wall and after a desperate fight killed both of them.

LEIDS IS A LION AT BERLIN

London Paper Says he is Trying to Secure Mediation, but he Says Not.

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—The Deutsche Zeitung publishes an interview today with Dr. Leyds which represents him as having said: "The war will certainly last a very long time. The Transvaal will definitely not be the first to seek peace and will refuse any proposals on the basis of the status quo."

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Dr. Leyds is offering Germany commercial, railway and mining monopolies, as well as other inducements. If he fails here he will try at Washington, through ex-consul Macrum and Montague White, and at St. Petersburg by an envoy to Russia.

I want to let the people who suffer from rheumatism and sciatica know that Chamberlain's Pain Balm relieved me after a number of other medicines and a doctor had failed.

PRESIDENTS' OLD LETTERS.

Discovery of a Valuable Collection in an Old New England Town. From the Boston Transcript: There has lately been found in a town near Bridgeport, Conn., a valuable collection of old letters of nearly a century ago.

The Royal Neighbors will give a progressive high five party at Fitzgerald's hall, Wednesday evening, Feb. 7. Admission, 10 cents, refreshments free.

HUNDREDS ARE KILLED

Terrific Slaughter of Queen's Troops in Affair at Spionkop.

Warren's Forces Retreat Across Tugela—Boer Artillery Fire Too Hot to be Endured—Butler Sends in a Full Report of the Advance and Retreat, but Fails to Give Any List of Casualties.

BOER HEADQUARTERS, LADYSMITH, Jan. 25-7 p. m.—The British dead left on the battlefield yesterday numbered 1,500.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—General Buller says General Warren's troops have retreated south of the Tugela river. The Boers say that the British lost 1,500 killed Wednesday. It is also believed here that this includes the wounded.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—General Buller's dispatch to the war office states that Spionkop was abandoned on account of lack of water, inability to bring artillery there and the heavy Boer fire. General Buller gives no list of casualties.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—11:35 p. m.—The war office announces that it has no news from the front.

FREE FROM THE HILL

BOER HEADQUARTERS, MODDERSPRUIT, UPPER TUGELA, Wednesday, Jan. 24, midnight—Some Vryheid burghers from the outpost on the high hills on the Spionkop group rushed into the laager saying that the kop was lost and that the English had taken it.

At dawn the Heidelberg and Carolina contingents, supplemented from other commands, began the ascent of the hill. Three spur, precipitous projections, faced the Boer positions. Up these the advance was made.

Sealing the steep hill the Boers found that the English had improved the opportunity and entrenched heavily. Between the lines of trenches was an open level, which had to be rushed under a heavy fire, not only from the rifles, but of lyddite and shrapnel from field guns.

Three forces ascended the three spurs co-ordinately, under cover of fire from the Free State Krupps, a Creusot and a big Maxim. The English tried to rush the Boers with the bayonet, but their infantry went down before the Boer rifle fire as before a scythe.

The Boer investigating 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 prisoners to the head laager.

The Boer advance continued on the two kopjes east of Spionkop. Many Boers were shot, but so numerous were the burghers that the gaps filled automatically. Toward twilight they reached the summit of the second kopje but did not get further.

The British Maxims belched flame, but a wall of fire from the Mausers held the English back. Their center, under this pressure, gradually gave way and broke, abandoning the position.

The prisoners speak highly of the bravery of the burghers, who, despite a cover, stood against the skyline edges of the summit to shoot the Dublin Fusiliers, sheltered in the trenches. The firing continued for some time and then, the Fusiliers and Light Horse serving as infantry, threw up their arms and rushed out of the trenches.

The effect of the abandonment of Spionkop by the English can hardly be gauged as yet, but it must prove to be immense.

An unusually high proportion of lyddite shells did not explode.

Austria's Polyglot People. There are so many languages spoken in the provinces of Austria-Hungary that interpreters are employed in the various parliaments to interpret the speeches of the delegates and make them intelligible to all the members.

Youthful Idea. Solemn and elderly ass—Young man, have you ever experienced conviction of sin? Small boy—Nope, but I eat too many green apples las' summer.—Indianapolis Journal.

He who can suppress a moment's anger may prevent a day of sorrow.

The Holidays Are Past

But we are still doing business at the old stand. Our stock comprises everything usually kept in a first-class drug store.

Patent Medicines.

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INTELLIGENT RATS.

Blind One Was Led to Drink by Two Others.

"One day not long ago" said a brick manufacturer, "one of my workmen saw three rats carrying a long straw across the brickyard. It seemed such an unusual sort of proceeding that he stopped his work to watch them. Two of the rats held the straw at the opposite ends, while the third supported the center. They were making straight for the river, which flowed by one side of the yard. When they arrived at the bank they laid down the straw and took a long drink; then they proceeded to take up the straw again in the same manner as before and returned by the same way they had come. This so interested the workman that he determined to watch if they would come again. And sure enough, at about the same time next day, they appeared, carrying the straw exactly as before. Having provided himself with a gun, he shot all three to see if possibly he might thereby solve the mystery. He discovered that the rat in the center was blind, and therefore concluded that this was the animals' kind method of leading their blind comrade to the water to drink.—Philadelphia Inquirer.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Dr. J. C. Cheney & Co., Props., Toledo, O.

LAWN PLAYHOUSES

Large Enough for Three or Four Little Girls and Their Dolls. The latest novelties in the smart toy shops are large playhouses, to be set upon the lawn for the use of the little girls of the family.

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Black Seedless Grapes Wanted.

Will some one develop a black seedless grape? We have white seedless grapes, but suitable only to the climate of California, and now we want a good black grape without seeds.

A Remarkable Gift.

The dean and chapter of Canterbury have just received a somewhat remarkable gift from a lady whose name is not made public. The present consists of an exact copy of the robes worn by Thomas a Becket, now deposited at the Cathedral of Sens.

Truant's for Cause.

The sub-inspector of schools in Malacca Straits Settlements is obliged to report a shockingly low average attendance of native children at school. Of course there is a reason. Three murders have recently occurred in Malacca, and the murderer in some way gave notice—or was said to have done so—that he was making a collection of heads and would stop when he killed twenty people.

The Condor of Peru.

First of all the birds of Peru comes the condor, a sober, staid-looking individual, with a black cap, white collar and a shaven crown. He has also a touch of white on his wings—uffs, one might call them. The females are distinctly black without a touch of color, though there is a little white on their wings.

Concert Nearly Rehearsed.

From the San Francisco Argonaut: One evening at a social function where Sarasate was among the guests a young musician had the bad taste to play one of Sarasate's compositions with variations of his own.

William Gilmour has a few Clover's Model, Woodburn Medium and Wilk's Poland China hogs for sale.

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