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Further Lists of the Casualties.

Movements of Dundonald's Horse.—Boer prisoner says it will take three months to rescue Lady-smith.—British guns bombarding the Boer trenches and redoubts.—Enemy reported to be losing heavily.

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE EXAMINER.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—The Daily Telegraph's despatch from Spearman's Camp, dated Jan. 21st, says: "Throughout today General Warren continued to advance steadily as was the case yesterday."

The Boers resisted stubbornly. But General Hart's brigade, which, with General Hilyard's, had the brunt of the infantry work, drove them slowly from hill to hill.

The Dublins have been fighting continuously for twenty-four hours.

A turning movement was tried by the Boers, on the lower ground, on our extreme left, but our two batteries of artillery and the Devonshires stopped and repulsed them.

The enemy have two six-inch Creusot guns, about four 15 pounders, and two machine cannons. Their shell fire did little execution.

Our guns, Maxims and rifle fire, were excellent.

Despite the strength of their works and their numbers, the Boers are losing heavily. Our losses, so far, have been moderate.

This afternoon, the Dublins tried to take a stiff position by their bayonets. Our men are now adept at advancing, taking all available covering when skirmishing.

SPEARMAN'S CAMP, Jan. 22.—General Warren's guns cannonaded the Boer works occasionally during the night.

The enemy's defences consist of numerous trenches, walls and redoubts from which our troops successfully dislodged them in a dashing style.

The Boers endeavor to keep the majority of their men out of range until they are actually wanted. So do we. Our wounded are doing well.

DURBAN, Jan. 23.—The statement comes from an excellent source in Pietermaritzburg that Lord Dundonald has entered Ladysmith with 1600 men. This is not confirmed from any other quarter. But it is known that Dundonald's flying column has been acting well to the left of the line of advance.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Just before midnight the War Office issued the following despatch from General Buller:—

SPEARMAN'S CAMP, Jan. 22.—The following casualties are reported in General Hart's brigade as a result of yesterday's fighting:

Killed—Capt Ryall, Yorkshire Regiment, and five men; wounded—2nd Lieut Andrews, Border regiment; Captain McLaughlan, Inniskilling; Lieut Barlow, Yorkshire Regiment, and 75 men.

Missing—Eight men.

Other casualties will be forwarded when received. The foregoing was all the War Office had issued up to midnight.

LONDON, Jan. 23.—Although presumably the fighting continued yesterday be-

tween Warren's division and the Boers entrenched along the ridges of Tabanyama mountain, no definite information has reached London.

In a Daily Telegraph despatch, dated yesterday morning, the only statement is that the British guns are bombarding the Boer works during the night.

The War Office issued no news last night touching on yesterday's operations.

The fighting of Sunday was clearly not of a decisive nature. In each direction substantial progress is being made by the British, the Boers contesting every inch of ground.

The Boer prisoner taken on Saturday says it will take three months to reach Ladysmith.

ORWELL NOTES.

The winter is quickly passing by, and we have had very little severe weather, nevertheless our young folks are not taking advantage of the moonlight nights and good roads.

The ice in Orwell is in fine condition for hotel trotting, and some of the leading jockeys are taking advantage of it. Mr. Douglas McDonald is training his fine two-year-old Preceptor 8. Ann.

Mr. Malcolm McQueen after spending a few weeks holidays at home, has returned to Halifax to resume his clerical duties.

Capt. A. W. McLeod, of the Princess, has returned home to spend the winter months with his family. He is looking hale and hearty. His son William, returned from the North-west about one month ago.

It is rumored that after the recent local elections, Mr. D. E. Clarke is about to lose the post office. The people of Orwell would be very sorry for any such change to take place, as a better official, in delivering mail matter, could not be had in the vicinity.

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LETTERS FROM SOUTH AFRICA

BELMONT, South Africa, December 11, 1899.

MY DEAR MR. STEWART,—

The Canadian Regiment is here doing garrison duty in company with a detachment of mounted infantry who act as scouts. Lorne is well, bright, happy and cheerful, although, like the rest of us, he must have swallowed enough sand to satisfy a regiment. All the Island "boys" are well and are doing well. They take 24 hours outpost duty, beginning at 3 tomorrow morning. Spitzfontein is being fought today by Lord Methuen's Brigade, and very much depends on the result. Victory means Kimberley's relief in a very short time. I understand that he has 16,000 men with him, and in the equipment 24 guns. Some think that the affair will soon be over—others think differently. The Boers are hard fighters. We saw quite a number of them who have been taken prisoners, and they look very sorry indeed. It looks as though we were to be here for some time to protect the railway and this old Boer camp. I suppose Lorne would tell you, but the more drill our contingent gets the better for all. There is much room for improvement. Tell Mrs. Stewart that Lorne is the picture of health and takes to campaigning like an old hand. At De Aar we had a fearful sand storm, yet he took it like a philosopher, while all the others whom I met, myself included, had our growl. With kind regards to Mrs. S., family and self, I am, yours truly,

T. F. FULLERTON.

After the Boers.

Mr. John Towan has received a letter from his friend, private John Boudreau, of the Canadian contingent. We make the following extract:

BELMONT S. A., Dec. 16, 1899.

DEAR FRIEND,—Well, Jack, here we are at the front and do not know the moment we will be called into action. We had a little engagement last Monday, out of which we came with seven wounded, while the enemy had 75 killed or wounded. I am sure of three myself, for I saw two fall under the fire of my rifle and the other I drove the bayonet through. There is a feeling that comes over one in action which causes one to forget everything—only to look for the blood of the enemy. We expect to leave here in a day or two for Kimberley and fight our way through

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