Latest Despatches from South Africa, where Britons are Fighting Boers.

ly known. The foreign mining te-

and have addressed strong represen-

Persons acquainted with Colonel

Baden-Powell's scheme of defence at

Mafeking assert that the occupation

of the Kaffir location by the Boers

would not endanger the garrison,

A gentleman from Cape Town says

that Mr. Cecil Phodes has decided to

CANADIANS TRANSFERRED.

in Other Regiments.

order, published yesterday morning,

members of the first Canadian con-

formerly lieutenant in the 46th Dur-

ham Regiment, Bowmanville, to the

Duke of Edinburgh's Rifle Volunteers,

S.A., in which corps he has been

Lance-Corp. C. R. Molyneux, 5th

which corps he has been granted a

Pte. J. F. Ramsay, 48th Highland-

Pte. Kayrond Wounded.

cable message from Sir Alfred Milner

to His Excellency the Earl of Minto,

Cape Town, May 14. - 7,833, Pte.

was slightly wounded, Israel's Poert,

334, Trooper T. Woolcombe, Second

Canadian Mounted Infantry, died of

dysentery and pleurisy at Carnarvor

on 2nd April. Casualty was report-

ed officially to War Office, but only

Canadian Artillery Contingent With the

Rhedesian Force May Be in at the

Relief-Free State to Be Annexed

on the 24th May-Kruger

and Reitz May Skip

London, May 18. - (3.80 a.m.)-

England still waits with intense and

almost breathless interest for news

of the relief of Mafeking. A crowd

remarkable for the number of men in

clear. The town still holds out.

Were it otherwise the Boer wires laid

to the camps of the beleaguers would

The Canadian artillery contingent

ed to have reached Bulawayo, May

2. The distance from Bulawayo to

Mafeking is 490 miles. As the rail-

way is open all the way to Pitsani,

28 miles from Mafeking, where Col.

President Steyn, according to one

despatch, has gone to Pretoria. An-

other says he is a fugitive at Lind-

ley. The Free Staters are surrender-

ing on all sides. A despatch from

Cape Town says that proclamations

are being printed there, to be pub-

lished on the Queen's Birthday, May

24, annexing the Free State. One of

President Stevn's brothers, who is a

prisoner of Gen. Brabant, says the

Free Staters will accept annexation.

Those who took up arms the second

time, he explains, had to do so under

threats of instant death if they re-

fused. Five hundred rifles have been

surrendered at Kroonstad, in excess

of the number of Boers who have

Gen. Rundle has captured 70,000

bags of corn. He is marching slow-

ly through a district which is des-

ribed "literally teeming with cattle,

The Standard says: "From pro-

Boer sources we learn that the first

great stand by the Federals will be

on the ridges near Johannesburg.

This position has been strongly en-

trenched, and the burghers believe

driven from that position, part of

pacification of the country."

enzo Marquez, says:

ica as his future home.

received till Monday.

the force will be thrown into Pretor-

A despatch to The Times from Lor-

"There is general talk in Pretoria

an immediate departure from the cap-

vaal to transfer the seat of Govern-

ment to Lydenburg district, and to

make a final stand there. The Raad

is reported to have endorsed the pro-

The Times also says that a number

of the Transvaal officials are prepar-

ing for flight and that State Secre-

tary Reitz has selected South Amer-

It is unofficially believed that Lord

Kitchener is in command of the Mafe-

king relief column and that news

of the relief of the town cannot be

SUCCESS AT MAFEKING.

British Killed 17 Burghers, Captured

Eloff and 90 Other Prisoners at

day, says that Commandant Eloff

(grandson of President Kruger), with

a patrol, entered Mafeking. Colonel

Baden-Powell opened fire on the

burghers, killing 17 of them and tak-

ing Eloff and 90 of his men prisoners.

More Fighting at Mafeking.

official bulletin announces that the

Federal troops stormed and occupied

the forts around Mafeking on Satur-

day morning. The same night the

Federals were surrounded, losing, so

Pretoria, Tuesday, May 15. - An

taken the oath of allegiance.

sheep and horses."

have flashed the news.

take part in the relief.

STILL ADVANCING.

to-day to me, hence the delay.

J. W. Raymond, alias J. W. Culver,

was handed to the press yesterday:

Ottawa, May 17. - The following

tery, Royal Canadian Artillery.

Royal Canadian Artillery.

granted a commission.

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25th April.

provided relief came quickly.

tations to their respective consuls."

Boer Forces Evacuate the Biggarsberg Positions.

RELIEF OF MAFEKING.

Contradictory Reports Current - Despatches From Lorenzo Marquez Indicate That Part of Gen. Hunter's Force Has Attained Its Object-Lord Roberts Reports More

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London, May 17. - The War Office has posted the following despatch from General Buller, dated

White Flag Treachery.

Dundee, May 16:: "We occupied Glencoe yesterday. The Transvaalers have now evacuated Biggarsberg. The Free Staters on the Drakensberg are much reduced in numbers. The Carolina, Lydenberg and Pretoria commandos trekked north from Hlatikulu on the 13th and Royal Scots, to Roberts' Horse, 14th of May. Eleven guns were entrained at Glencoe. The last train with ambulance left there at dawn May 15th. This result has been ers. to Brahant's Horea. largely produced by the action of the Pte. P. Hugel, R.C.A., to D Bat-Fifth division which, during the last few days has done a great deal of very hard work - marching, mountain climbing and road making.

ABUSE OF THE WHITE FLAG. Lord Roberts Reports the Shooting Down

Trains are now running to Wessels

Nek Station."

of Seven Britishers, London, May 17. - The War Office posts the following despatch from Lord Roberts under date of Kroonstad, May 15:

"Two officers and six men of Prince Alfred's Guards, while out foraging yesterday a few miles from Kroonstad, visited a farm flying a white flag, the owner of which surrendered himself with arms and ammunition. They then approached another farm, also flying a white flag. When within forty yards of the enclosure they were fired upon by fifteen or sixteen Boers concealed behind the farm Two of the men were killed, Lieut, F. B. Walton was wounded, and Lieut, W. B. Everton and two non-commissioned officers were taken prisoners. The owner of the farm states that the Boers threatened to shoot him when he protested against their making an improper use of the white flag."

evening dress and including many Says Boors Were Repulsed, ladies, lingered around the War Of-Lorenzo Marquez, May 17. - A fice even after midnight, hoping for Portuguese official says an encounter some announcemnt. Only reluctanthas occurred at Mafeking, and that ly did the people disperse when the the Boers have been repulsed with lobbies of the War Office were finally cleared with the word that nothing heavy loss. had been received. One thing seems

MAFEKING RELIEF COLUMN.

It Is Fighting Hard-Boers, as Usual, Claim to Have Won Another Big

London, May 16. .- (3.30 p.m.)-The British relief column fought the Boers at Kraalpan, 42 miles south of Mafeking, on Tuesday, according to a telegram received Wednesday night at Lorenzo Marquez from Molopo, Plumer is, the Canadians may yet

100 miles north of Mafeking. This intelligence is accepted here with some reserve, because it is difficult to understand how the news could have been so quickly put on the wire from a place 132 miles from

the scene of the engagement. A correspondent of The Morning Post, presumably John Stuart, is reported captured by the Boers at Kraalpan. The British public is keenly expectant of the announcement that Mafeking had been relieved. In army circles the opinion seem to prevail that this has already been accomplished, although two hours before midnight the War Office said that no news of the relief had been received. The steadfast courage of the hunger-bitten garrison has produced a deep impression, and news of succor is awaited with more anxiety than has been felt regarding any other event of the war.

Boers Holding Back Big News. Douglass Story, The Daily Mail's correspondent at Pretoria, wires: "The Boer Government is holding back some big news. Feverish activity prevails here. President Kruger is working day and night. The latest official Boer bulletin is that the they can hold it for some time. If relief column has been defeated with great loss."

Lord Roberts remains passive at | ia, to withstand a siege, while the Kroonstad. His cavalry are stretch- main body will retreat to the Lydening like a semi-circle screen many burg district, with the intention of miles in length with overlapping | keeping up a guerilla warfare from flanks. The railway will probably be that mountainous region. They becompleted to-day. The Kroonstad lieve they can indefinitely postpone a censor permits the passage of long despatches dealing with incidents prior to the occupation.

It seems that Gen. French's cavalry had one lively fight after crossing of President Kruger contemplating the Zand River. A mixed squadron, composed of the Scots Greys, the In- ital. There seems no longer any niskillings, Carbiners and Australian doubt of the intention of the Trans-Horse, took a kopje and dismounted. The Boers suddenly fired from a concealed position, killing many horses and stampeding the rest. The Boers advanced in overwhelming numbers and drove the squadron, capturing some. The Boers robbed the dead and looted the saddles. Finally a brigade of cavalry drove them off. Farther north the Hussars charged the Boers, killing and wounding many stragglers with sabres and pis-

Marched 120 Miles in a Week. Lord Roberts' infantry marched 120 miles in seven days. Gen. French marched 30 miles in one day.

The Boers when retiring dragged 32 guns through Kroonstad. Gen. Buller is moving toward Newcastle. He appears to be using 25,-000 men against 5,000 or 6,000. his operations will almost certainly result in his forcing his way into the Transvaal, possibly in time to cooperate with Lord Roberts' advance, although Gen. Buller is 253 miles from Johannesburg, or 25 days'

march. Will Mines Be Destroyed? The Lorenzo Marquez correspondent of The Times, under Tuesday's date,

"There has been a heated discussion in the Raad in secret session respecting the expediency of destroying the mines. The result is not public-

far as known, seven killed, 17 wounded, and a number taken prisoners. The British casualties are said to have been 50 killed and wounded. It is reported that the advance guard of the force proceeding to the relief of Mafeking from the south was repulsed yesterday. Has Mafeking Reen Relieved?

London, May 18. - In the committee room of the House of Commons yesterday morning, Sir James Kitson (Lib.) announced that Malepresentatives are greatly alarmed, king had been relieved. The War Office, however, was un-

able to confirm the announcement. BRITISH IN THE TRANSVAAL. Gen. Roberts Reports That Gen, Hunter

Has Occupied Christlana. London, May 18. - The War Office has received from Lord Roberts the following despatch, dated Kroon-

stad, Wednesday, May 16: retire altogether from Cape Colony "Rundle yesterday occupied Mequatling's Nek and Modder Poort, without opposition. Hunter has entered the Transvaal, and has advanced Some Have Been Granted Commissions within 10 miles of Christiana. Methuen has reached a point 12 miles Ottawa, May 17. - In a militia on the Hoppstad road, without secing the enemy. Natives and local it is announced that the following whites have confirmed the previous reports of the disorganization of the tingent, on service in South Africa, Free Staters. The situation here is have been transferred to other regiunchanged." ments: Lance-Corp. F. A. Southey,

A Second Message. The War Office has received the fol lowing despatch from Lord Roberts: "Kroonstad, May 17 .- Hunter has occupied Christiana, without opposition, the enemy having retired to Klerksdorp, under the impression that the latter was threatened by a portion of this force from Parys. Rundle's force was close to Clocolan (southwest of Ficksburg) yesterday evening. The country was clear of the enemy. The resident commander oining in the national airs. Pte. Roberts, R.C.A., to C Battery, in Basutoland reports that a number of Boers, living in the Ficksburg and Bethlehem districts, have applied to him for advice, and as to the conditions of surrender. This is very satisfactory."

> BULLETIN FROM GEN. BULLER. Says Second Division Is at Dannhauser-

His Advance Patrols. London, May 18. - The War Office has received the following despatch from Gen. Buller:

"Dannhauser, May 17. - The cecond division has reached Dannhauser, and I hope that my advance patrols are at Newcastle. The fifth division | wreath-crowned barner with the poris echeloned from Elandslaagte to Glencoe, repairing the railroad. The fourth division is at Sunday River Drift, on the old Newcastle road. Several Natal farmers are handing over their arms. All reports agree that about 7,000 of the enemy passed north, very hurriedly, May 14 and

Hoers Abandon Newcastle. Volks Rust, South African Republic, Wednesday, May 16. - The Federals have abandoned the Biggarsberg, and it is believed they also abandoned Newcastle this morning, though their mounted men are still on the other side of the border, keeping the British at bay,

British Blave Maquatting's Nek. Thabanchu, Tuesday, May 15. -The British force advanced this morning 20 miles to the northeast, and took possession of Maquatling's Nek. Prisoners continue to be taken daily.

BOERS ENVOYS IN GOTHAM.

Mayor and Municipality of New York of the Rhodesian force is now report-Tender Them a Warm Welcome-Their Responses.

New York, May 18. - The principal event in connection with the visit to this city of the Boer delegates. Messrs. Wessels, Wolmarans and Fischer, occurred yesterday afternoon, when they were received at the City Hall by Mayor Van Wyck, and, in accordance with the resolution passed by the Municipal Assembly, officially welcomed to the city. any African source, except Pretoria,

Delegate Fischer, in response, said: ure and pride. We are not so con- news. ceited as to take to ourselves the honor shown us, but we wish to struggle. We have been told that 90 | we will trust, and we have good per cent. of the people of America re son to think that it is probably sympathize with us. We want to true." pealed to a free people in vain."

not to-morrow, we will keep on of telegraphic communication. fighting for it for the next 100 years. We have had to fight for our liberty. We did not want to fight, but we had We ought to be worth some consideration to the United States, because we are one free people appealing to another free people. We don't ask you to fight for us, but we ask you to say to England: Stop, and we think if America said the word, the war would be stopped. We are doing our own fighting, but you can hardly call it a war. It is like a little boy trying to defend himself when attacked. If we are beaten, America will probably be ashamed in future years if the question should be asked: What has hap-

pened to your little sister? Delegate Wolmarans, who spoke in Dutch, gave a history of the Transvaal trouble. As the envoys left the City Hall, they were shaken by the hands by

persons on all sides. On making their re-appearance, Mr. Fischer, standing on the steps of the City Hall, delivered a brief address, | the stalls, boxes and galleries sang in which he said the people of the in chorus, "The Absent-Minded Begwanted the sympathy of the people of to their enthusiasm, although they

The Story Denied of Course.

New York, May 18. - Mr. Fischer one of the Boer envoys, when shown the published statement in which the envoys are reported as having made indiscreet admissions on the steamship to an employe of a London newspaper, said yesterday that the story was false in every material particular.

Brave Baden-Powell and His Plucky Garrison Relieved.

MAFEKING RID OF THE BOERS.

On the Approach of the Relieving Force From the South, the Boers Retreated from the Beleaguered Town - Good Work by Gen. Hutton and the Colonials.

THE PRETORIA REPORT. Pretoria, May 18 .- It was officially announced to-day that when the langers and forts around Mafeking had been severely bombarded the siege was abandoned, and a British force from the south took possession of the place.

REJOICING IN LONDON.

The Millions of the World's Metropolis Spent Half the Night in the Streets Celebrating.

London, May 19 .- (4 a.m.) -- London's millions spent half the night in the streets, and even at 4 o'clock this morning troops of young men are marching and singing and crowds are in front of the Mansion House, Marlborough House, the clubs in Pall Mall and the War Office and in Parlinment square, waving flags and

This sustained bellowing and uproar of hundreds of thousands amazes the Englishman, who ceases for a moment to be an actor and becomes merely an observer. Sober, pklegnatic London is beside itself with emotion. Gusts of patriotism have set the town quivering twice or thrice before during the war, but tothing has quite equalled last night's hundred square miles of almost furious demonstrations. A Curious Sight.

It was a curious thing for the onlooker to see solumn, grey-haired men toss their opera hats into the air and join in the huricane of cheers, when a trait of Col. Baden-Powell on it was



COL. BADEN-POWELL.

borne clorg Piccadilly. Smart women in broughams waved Union Jacks out of the windows. Conventional family parties stopped at street corners to take part in singing "God Save the Queen" and "Soldiers of the Queen. Everywhere was abandon, good feeling and an estonishing roar uman voices. It was all brought about by a 20-word telegram from Freteria that Mafeking had been relieved. Although the Government has not a word, and although nothing confirmatory has been received from

"This is to us an occasion of pleas- nobody apparently questions the What Mr Balf or says. Arthur J. Balfour, speaking from show that we don't represent an un- the Government bench late last evenworthy people. We believe that no ing, said: "The only news I have is people can understand what it is to through the courtesy of the press. We struggle for freedom, except a people have no information at the War Ofwhich has gained its freedom by lice, nor would we have it as soon such a struggle. This reception is an as it would arrive through other honor which we will remember. The channels. Therefore, the fact that we small liberty-loving people will think have not received it neither proves the better of their big brother. We nor disproves the accuracy of the think we will come well out of the information. I need hardly say that

convert the other 10 per cent. by Mr. George Wyndham, Parliamentsimply telling the truth. We hope ary Under Secretary of State for that a free people will not have ap- War, replying to several members of the House, who had privately inter-Ald. Kennedy then read an address rogated him, said: "Although the prepared on behalf of the Minicipal Government has nothing, I am dis-Assembly, welcoming the delegates. posed to believe the Boer bulletin. It Delegate Wessels then said: "Each may be to-morrow and perhaps even member of this commission has a Monday before the Government would part to perform. The part assigned get despatches from our military to Mr. Fischer is speechmaking. We commanders, even if the siege were have other duties, which we will not | raised some days ago, as the news mention now. We have come to tell would need to be conveyed over a the free people of America that we long distance by a messenger on mean to win, and to retain our free- horseback, whereas, the enemy would dom; if not to-day, to-motrow; if probably le able to avail themselves

Had allow to the ther Hears It. Col. Badel-l'owell's brother in London has received a cablegram from a Dutch friend in Pretoria, saying that Mafeking had been relieved. The performance in the Lordon music halls and theatres last erening had little use for stage business. The audiences which crowded the Alhambra, Empire and Covent Garden theatres had no desire to attend a stage performance. The first sight of a biograph scene in the Transvaal or the first glimpse of a military or naval costume on the stage was sufficient to create an uproar. A leading actor in one of the Strand theatres said: "I did not attempt to read my lines last evening. It was of no use. The public had no interest in me beyond the fact that I

were a military uniform." Everything Military. At Her Majesty's Theatre, at the Garrick, where "Zaza" is being played, and at the other houses where wards. After, at the music halls, however, no one pretended to take interest in anything but having military color.

and Duchess of York and the Por- crowd and the windows were shattuguese Minister, occupied a box at tered. The police charged the mob, Covent Garden, where "Lohengrin" and were greeted with a shower of ing's Tribune, Mr. Isaac N. Ford prewas being presented, and when the decayed eggs. Numerous arrests were dicts the annexation of the Free State relief of Mafeking was announced, made and the police reserves were by proclamation of Lord Roberts, on they joined heartily in the applause. called out.

The London nre insurance laws make fire works impossible and the city lacked the blaze of illumination, characteristic of other great cities during similar rejoicings. The Britishers, therefore, relied on lung power and from St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey and up through Piccadilly to Hyde Park, there was a Niagara-like roar, incessant, rising and falling, hour after hour, as the surging masses poured through London's thoroughfares.

There was a lack of pyrotechnic glare, but every cabby and every business man in London had a Union Jack fluttering from his whip. Patrons of four wheelers were not tent to ride inside the vehicles and the tops were crowded with flagwaving, cheering enthusiasts.

Haller - l'owell's Mother and Sister. Ten thousand people stood in front of Mes. Baden-Powell's house in George's place, cheering and singing, and a score of cabs brought congratulations. Miss Baden-Powell, the colonel's sister, said: "The same tale has been brought

us many times during the last anxious months. The War Office has promised us the earliest information. We only hope it is true." Later in the evening Col. Baden-Powell's mother sent word that she

had retired, and that if any telegrams came she was not to be disturbed till morning. The boys of the Charter House

School, where Baden-Powell was educated, were aroused from sleep the news, and the institution quickly became a veritable pandemonium of noise and enthusiasm. The Lord Mayor's Message.

As quickly as the information the relief was received, the Lord Mayor sent the following despatch to Col. Baden-Powell:

"The citizens of London relieved. They rejoice in the good news receiv-Your gallant defence will long live in British annals. Cable what money is needed for the garrison and inhabitants after long privations." In unrestrained jubiliation, the provinces were not behind the metropolis. Although London had the start by a few minutes, the great industrial centres and surrounding towns suddenly burst into patriotic demonstrations. Bells clashed in their steeples, village bands turned out and people gathered in the square to chant fervidly, "God Save the

From all parts of the Empire come the same story. Bombay, Hong Kong, Colombo and Canadian Australian cities are rejoicing. Continental Press Sad Over It.

Continental cities, as the press telegrams abundantly testify, received the news sadly. Under the head of "How the news was received," The Daily Chronicle

80.V8: The telegram to the Associated Press from Pretoria-the historic despatch announcing the relief of Mafeking-was sent from the capital of the Transvaal at 11.35 a.m., May 18. It reached the London office at 9,16 p.m. and was instantly despatched to every quarter of the globe. By 10.30 p.m. had come a respense from far off Toronto of the reception of the news there. It is not surprising, in view of the fact that, four minutes after the receipt of the telegram here, it was in the Associated Press in New York, whence it was forwarded to the furtherest limits of the North American continent. The relief of Mafeking has had the effect of suspending for a moment interest in the operations elsewhere in the field of war; nevertheless, yesterday brought important official announcements.

New Peace Proposals. A Lorenzo Marquez correspondent, vesterday said: "New peace proposals will probably be put forward by the Boer Government. The recent reverses are causing despondency. There was a prolonged meeting of the Transvaal Executive at Pretoria Thursday, and the destruction of the mines was again considered. It is understood that the Government does not intend to destroy the mines." According to other advices from the

same point, President Kruger and the other high officials purpose leaving almost immediately for Lydenburg. The British prisoners will be conveyed there, and the foreign Consuls at Pretoria are leaving for Lyd-In Kroonstad it is said that Presi-

dent Kruger will surrender when Lord Roberts crosses the Transvaal frontier. Next Stop at Johannesburg.

Lord Roberts is accumulating immense quantities of supplies, and the preparations for another movement are well advanced. The next stop

GEN. BULLER HAS LAING'S NEK.

Lord Mothuen Takes 250 Rifles and Half a Million Rounds of Ammunition at Hoopstad- A Field Cornet and 86 Burghers Surrender at Beshof -The Relief of Mafe-

London, May 21 .- (3.10 a. m .-Displayed in the most conspicuous style in The Daily Express is the dominant war news of the morning: "We have the best reason for saying that in the last twenty-four hours a telegram has been received at the Foreign Office, addressed personally to the Prime Minister, from President Kruger, proposing terms

"The exact terms of the message cannot be stated, but we believe it is couched in an exceedingly humble "It is inconceivable, of course,

that Lord Salisbury can have sent any reply except the one that stands ready on the lips of every Briton 'Unconditional Surrender." Pence at Any Cost. Antwerp, May 21. - A report has

reached here from The Hague that the Boers will now sue for peace at any cost. Even President Kruger and Steyn have become discouraged. R.Joicing Ruo Rint. The boisterous rejoicings over the

news from Mafeking have become riots in parts of London, Aberdeen legitimate drama holds the boards, and Belfast, and elsewhere in the United Kingdom. In the Finchley district of suburban London, a mob London, May 18. - A despatch Transvaal and the Orange Free State | gar" and "Soldiers of the Queen" | stoned a station master's house and from Lorenzo Marquez, dated yester- were struggling for their liberty and between acts in order to give vent smashed the windows of a draper's shop, setting the building on fire, settled down to the program after- although whether by accident or design, it is not yet known. Two clerks were injured.

Numerous Arrests. The house of a Boer sympathizer at The Princess of Wales, the Duke Hartlesden was attacked by a large 30-Guinea BICYCLE (Ladies' or Gents') FREE.

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Bioting in Aberdeen. Rioting took place in Aberdeen hom 7 to 10 o'clock Saturday evening around a hall where a "Stop the War" meeting was being addressed by Mr. Cronweight Schreiner. nusband of Ulive Schreiner.

A crowd of students and others tried to storm the hall and to break down the doors. The foot police were unable to cope with the disturbers, and sent for the mounted police, who made some headway with the crowd, but free fights occurred between the supporters of the meeting and the crowd, and the Royal Infirmary nearby, was kept busy dressing the wounds of combatants caused by stones, bricks and clubs. A number of arrests were made and finally the chief magistrate ordered the chief constable to call out the militia. The Gordon Highlanders from the Castle Barracks then cleared the streets. Artillery Called Out.

At Dover the business establishment of Mr. J. Browne, a member of the Local Chamber of Commerce, was wrecked by a mgib. The police were unable to cope with the disturbance, and to local artillery and volunteers were called out. As the rioting continued the Royal Artillery was called upon to suppress the mob. The windows of buildings adjoining Mr Browne's were smashed. Numerous arrests were made.

OUEEN VICTORIA

Expresses Her Thankfulness for the News of the Relief of Mafeking-First Official Notice.

London, May 21 .- Sunday night's court circular contains the following: "The Queen received on Friday night with the greatest gratification and thankfulness the news of the relief of Mafeking, after a heroic defence of over seven months by Col. Baden-Powell and troops under his The significance of this is that it

is the first official intimation of the relief of Mafeking, and it would not have been made had any doubts existed in the official mind as to the correctness of the news.

EVERYTHING IN SIGHT TAKEN

British Relieving Force Got the Whole . Investing Army and Guns at

Mafeking. London, May 21. - A despatch to The Daily Mail from Lorenzo Marquez, dated Sunday, says: On Thursday the entire Boer force around Maleking, including the guns, was captured by the British.

CHEERED THE HERO'S MOTHER. Mrs. Baden-Powels's Residence the Mecca for Thousands in London.

London, May 20. - Col. Baden-Powell's house, which faces Hyde Park, was all day Saturday the centre of scenes which must have been extremely gratifying to his family. who constantly appeared on the balcony to bow their acknowledgments. In addition, there was a constant stream of carriages bringing visitors leaving cards of congratulation.

When the art students' procession, which was of great length, having been joined by many members of the best families, stopped in front of the house the hero's mother and sister came to the window, evidently greatly moved. His sister fetched a large oil portrait of the colonel, wreathed in laurels, and placed it conspicuously on the balcony. When the storm of cheers ceased for a moment, the colonel's mother briefly addressed the crowd, expressing her heartfelt thanks to the demon-

There must have been millions of flags sold during the day. The whole city was covered with them. There was little other attempt at decoration, but the effect is altogether novel to Londoners. Confirmed From Molope.

London, May 21 .- A special despatch from Molopo, dated May 17, states that a large British force from the south succeeded in entering Mafeking Wednesday and that the siege was raised by the Boers, their commandoes withdrawing

ROBERTS HAS NO NEWS. Nothing Official, but Reuter States Relief of Mafeking Effected.

London, May 21. - The following is the text of Lord Roberts' de-"Kroonstad, May 20. - (3 p.m.) - No official information has yet

"Rundle reports having occupied lan, the enemy falling back on Ficks- ment that we keep the best, but burg and Scnokal. "Fifty rifles and 3,000 rounds were

along the telegraph line from Boshof and we can't be deceived into to Bloemfontein. "A field cornet and 86 burghers surrendered at Boshof yesterday. "While at Hoopstad, Methuen secured 250 rifles and between 400,000

and 500,000 rounds of ammunition." Annexation of Free State, New York, May 21. - In his London cable letter to yesterday mornthe Queen's Birthday.



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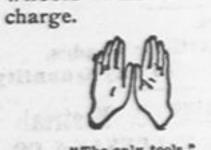
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