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GEN. CROWE SURRENDERS

Lord Roberts Informs the War Office That the Boer Commander Has Laid Down Arms.

THREE THOUSAND MEN ARE PRISONERS.

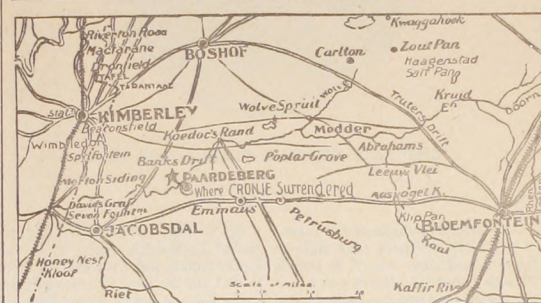
Insufficiency of the Boer Defense Is a Surprise--Transvaalers Are Certain to Continue the Fight--The Long Siege at Ladysmith Broken by Doodson's Command.

London, Feb. 27.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Roberts:

"Paarlburg, Feb. 27, 7.45 a. m.—Gen. Cronje and all his force capitulated unconditionally at daylight and is now a prisoner in my camp. The strength of his force will be communicated later. I hope that her majesty's government will consider this event satisfactory, occurring as it does on the anniversary of Majuba.

Surprising Features.
London, Feb. 28.—Although the capitulation of the famous Boer commander was hailed as a great victory, it has developed some peculiar and surprising features. Lord Roberts' reports state that the force capitulated consisted of 3,000 men, and his detailed figures show the number of officers surrendered 47 and the pieces of artillery 13.

Causes Wonder.
How an army of this size could hold out so long despite all efforts of the attacking forces is causing wonder. It had been supposed that there were



SCENE OF GEN. ROBERT'S OPERATIONS.

no fewer than 8,000 burghers in the "death trap" and that they were provided with many and formidable guns. The insignificance of the Boer strength is a surprise to all who had followed the combat since Cronje's hurried flight from Magersfontein.

Officers Captured.
The officers captured by Gen. Roberts, besides Gen. Piet Cronje, include the following well-known commanders: Chief Commandant M. J. Weyerans, a member of the volksraad; Field Cornet Frans, a Scandinavian; Maj. Albrecht, the famous German artilleryman; Maj. van Dewitz, the distinguished German officer, responsible for most of the splendid engineering works of the Boers since the commencement of the war.

Press Praises Cronje.
The morning papers, without exception, comment on the achievement of the Boer leader and men in holding off for ten days a force from six to eight times as large as their own. British opinion is far more generous in victory than in defeat. There is no disposition to overestimate the success. The government entertains no illusions. As announced in the house of commons, 10,000 additional troops will immediately go out and the effective will be kept near 200,000.

Long War Predicted.
Buffalo, N. Y., Feb. 28.—Montagu White, of Pretoria, former consul general of the South African Republic at London, who arrived here in reply to a query said:

"The surrender of Gen. Cronje marks the close of the Boers' offensive operations of the war. The enormous overwhelming British force has compelled the abandonment of offensive tactics and the beginning of defense. The remainder of the war between England and the South African Republic will be less dramatic and will be of long duration."

Ladysmith Relieved.
London, March 1, 9:55 a. m.—The war office has received the following dispatch from Gen. Buller:

"Ladysmith's Headquarters, March 1—9:55 Morning.—Gen. Buller and the Natal Carbineers and a composite regiment, entered Ladysmith last night. The country between me and Ladysmith is now clear of the enemy. I am moving on Nelshorpe."

Congratulate Cronje.
Washington, March 1.—Representative Fitzgerald, of Massachusetts, passed around among his democratic colleagues the following cable to Gen. Cronje, the defeated Boer general. Up to two o'clock Wednesday about 30 of them had signed it:

"Gen. Cronje, Cape Town, Africa.—Members of the United States house of representatives congratulate you and your soldiers on the magnificent display of courage and heroism in your brave fight for human rights."

Mills Shut Down.
Muncie, Ind., March 1.—The 11 iron and steel mills in Indiana owned by the Republic Iron and Steel company have closed down indefinitely on account of an attempt to enforce the weekly pay law and over 5,000 men were idle.

Died Poor.
St. Louis, March 1.—Giles F. Filley, who gave up a fortune of over \$1,300,000 to pay debts for which he became responsible by indorsement, died in this city a poor man.

Electrocuted.
New York, Feb. 27.—Antonio Ferraro was electrocuted at the Sing Sing prison for the murder of Luciane Muccio, in Brooklyn, on April 4, 1898.

BONDS TAKE A JUMP.

Sudden Rise in the Price of Government Securities—The Reason Assigned.

New York, Feb. 27.—Government bonds went up a full point Monday, and the price of four per cent. bonds, reached a higher level than any touched last year. The demand was ascribed to the belief of individuals and corporations that there will be unusual call for the bonds when the refunding law goes into effect, and the banks are allowed to issue circulation up to par value of the bonds. The four per cents, of 1925 reached Monday the highest price in their history, the four of 1907 the highest since 1891, when the government was still buying bonds heavily. Part of the heavy borrowing from banks has been attributed to operations on a view to this future demand, and some of the banks have made purchases for the purpose.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

A Dentist in New York Kills the Wife of His Employer and Commits Suicide.

New York, Feb. 26.—Mrs. E. P. Hayes, the wife of Dr. E. P. Hayes, a dentist, was shot and killed in her apartments in the Hotel Endicott by Dr. Frank Caldwell, an assistant of Dr. Hayes. Caldwell then shot and killed himself. Dr. Hayes had for years befriended Caldwell, and had given him an opportunity to advance in his profession; in fact, had considered him almost as one of his own family. As a result of this treatment, Caldwell became enamored of Mrs.

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