

HOW WE ARE MARCHING ON PRETORIA

A Technical Description of the Movement of an Army in Time of War, Showing How "Bob" is Moving on.

(London Express.)  
A British column advancing in time of war through an enemy's country is at once a magnificent and a remarkable spectacle; or, rather, to be quite correct, it would be, provided the eye could take in all the details at a single glance.

But that is just precisely what the eye cannot do. A column of even moderate strength, when on the move, lengthens itself out abnormally; so much so, indeed, that a body of troops which in review order could be packed within a moderate-sized parade ground, will occupy ribbon-wise eight, ten, or fifteen more miles of country.

We will, therefore, take up a position on an eminence—a kopje if you like—and watch in imagination a column of British regulars marching on, say, Pretoria.

First there will come in sight, riding at a walking pace athwart the bolder-strewn veldt a solitary pair of horsemen. These are the advance points, as they are termed, and are thrown forward perhaps a mile ahead of the vanguard. They are on the look-out for the enemy, and on the first hint of danger it is their duty to ride back to left and right and warn the flankers.

These latter are thrown out fanwise from the cavalry which screens the infantry vanguard and they in their turn pass the word back along the trailing, snake-like ribbon of armed men, till within half an hour, say, of the enemy's being first sighted the entire command knows of the threatened danger and is prepared to deal with it.

The two advance points have been well likened to a couple of electric buttons, which on being touched, thrill the alarm down both flanks throughout the entire length of the column with which they are in communication. The smile is not quite perfect, however, for the alarm is sounded by these living electric buttons while yet the danger is remote. Some hundreds of yards in the rear of the cavalry screen comes the advance guard, sub-divided into a vanguard and a main guard. This latter constitutes the first fighting unit of the advancing column, and its strength is, of course, proportionate to the strength of the force it is covering. With it are field and machine guns, sappers, miners, engineers, ambulances, reserve ammunition waggons, and so forth. In fact, the advance guard of a large column constitutes in itself a fighting force—a miniature army, so to speak, complete in practically all essential details. After the advance guard has passed we shall probably see—emerging from the clouds of dust, which always, except in wet weather envelop as with a mantle a column on the march—another solitary pair of horsemen, and then at intervals another and yet another. These are the connecting links. A half troop or perhaps, if the force is a large one, a whole troop of cavalry will come next, then more connecting links, and lastly the officer commanding, surrounded and accompanied by his staff. The uninitiated in matters military will now probably expect to see the main body of the army; but no. A single infantry battalion, or maybe two, will perhaps pass, marching strictly to "attention," bayonets fixed, and officers swords carried naked at the slope; after which there will have slowly into sight an apparently endless train of field artillery, guns, ammunition waggons, ambulances, tool carts, forage and store waggons, and numbers of led horses. It is only when this heterogeneous procession has come to an end that the thickening of the dust cloud and the measured tramp—tramp—tramp! herald the approach of the infantry brigades. On they come, rifles at the slope or at the trail, talking, laughing, joking, singing, smoking as though war and its attendant were a thousand miles away. On they come—and still on! Battalion after battalion; brigade after brigade.

It comes almost monotonous after a while, for the mighty fighting machines, each composed of a thousand or more individual fighting units, swing past with the mechanical precision of gigantic automata. Everything moves as if by clockwork. Thirty paces' interval is the regulation distance between battalions and brigades, and thirty paces' interval it is—no more, no less. There is no slackening or hesitancy, for all the apparent free-and-easiness. A company lags but a foot or two; it is spurred sharply forward by biting phrase—half expostulation, half command—uttered by its captain. A battalion does likewise; and a wave of the hand from its ever-watchful chief sends the Adjutant galloping down the right flank, exploding as he goes. So the force it kept "strung up." And a very necessary process is this same stringing up. The loss of a few yards at the head means hundreds at the tail. A trivial check to the front of a long column is a serious delay to the men in the rear of it, and continued stepping out or rapidly closing tends to exhaust troops.

With the passing of the rear-most brigade the interest of the average spectator largely vanishes. True, follow more machine guns more tool carts, ammunition waggons, led horses, etc., but all these we have seen be-

fore. The bearer companies, with their trim stretchers and the red cross of Geneva showing conspicuously on their tonic sleeves, arouse a brief curiosity, but they are out of sight, swallowed up in the dust-cloud almost ere we realize their presence. If, however, we care to occupy our kopje for another hour or so we shall see yet another cloud of dust advancing towards us. This is formed by the baggage train which follows all armies. Lastly comes the rear guard, followed by a small detachment of military police, whose duty it is to look after stragglers.

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History of the War in Brief.

October—War declared by Boers (11th). Mafeking besieged (12th). Natal invaded. British victory at Glencoe (20th). Victory at Elandslaagte (21st). Victory at Reitfontein (24th). Yule joins White at Ladysmith (25th). Defeat at Nicholson's Nek (30th).

November—Cape Colony invaded. Ladysmith isolated (2nd). First of army corps arrives. Fifth division mobilized. British victory at Belmont (23rd). Victory at Eoslin (25th). Buller arrives. Victory at Modder river (30th).

December—Gatacre defeated Stormberg (10th). Methuen beaten at Magersfontein (11th). Buller defeated at Colenso (15th). Roberts appointed commander-in-chief. Disastrous sally from Mafeking (26th). French victorious at Colesberg.

January—Boer attack on Ladysmith fails (6th). Company of Suffolks captured. Roberts and Kitchener arrive. Buller's second attempt to relieve Ladysmith. Spion kop taken and abandoned (23rd-25th).

February—Third attempt of Buller at Vaal Krantz fails (5th-8th). Roberts advance into Free State begins (12th). Kimberley relieved (15th). Cronje surrounded and captured (18th-27th). Colenso occupied by Buller (19th). Ladysmith relieved (28th).

March—Advance towards Bloemfontein. Peace proposals by Boer Presidents (5th). British victory at Poplar Grove (7th). Roberts enters Free State capital (13th). Clements and Gatacre enter Cape Colony. Plumer driven back by Mafeking's besiegers. Jouberts dies (27th). British disaster at Sanna's Post (31st).

April—British force captured at Reddersburg (3rd-4th). Villebois-Mareuil killed in battle. Boers besiege Wepener (8th-23rd). Carrington reaches Beira.

May—Roberts begins march northward (1st). Brandford occupied (3rd). Zand river crossed (9th). Kroonstad occupied (12th). Buller drives the Boers from Biggarsberg. Mafeking relieved (17th). Roberts leaves Kroonstad for Pretoria (21st). Crosses Rhenoster river (24th). French enters Transvaal (24th), and Roberts three days later. Johannesburg occupied (30th).

W. C. T. U. Announcement.

DEAR MRS. RUTHERFORD.—Will you please insert the enclosed in the next issue of the WOMAN'S JOURNAL, stating that the W. C. T. U. of N. B. is working in conjunction with the S. S. Association, and the superintendent of the department work desires all Unions to accept this as an official notice, governing their S. S. work thereby, trusting that the department may prosper.

Your's faithfully,  
JEANETTE C. BULLOCK,  
Supt. S. S. Dept. for N. B.  
183 Germain Street, St. John,  
April 21st, 1900.

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IV. At these temperance sessions of the school the pledges will be presented, and efforts made to secure signatures thereto.

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PLEDGE AGAINST PROFANITY.—I hereby promise, God being my helper, not to use any profane language, and to do all in my power to discourage it in others.

VII. The badge of the Temperance Army shall be a piece of narrow blue ribbon.

VIII. The duties of the secretary shall be to see that a suitable book is secured for enrolling the names of all who have signed the pledges; to see that other material required for the efficient carrying on of this work is provided, as well as to keep a record of all temperance work done in the school.

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WINNIPEG, MAN. July 5th to 13th, 1900.

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RATE.—Delegates, wives of delegates and daughters of delegates are to be issued one way first class tickets to Winnipeg at one way lowest first class fare and standard railway convention certificates to be furnished therewith.

GOING DATES.—Tickets to be sold good to go June 26th to July 5th, inclusive, to be limited not good after July 8th.

RETURN TRIP.—Certificates must be signed in Winnipeg by the Secretary of the Convention and on surrender to agent tickets to be issued back to original starting point good till August 15th, as under. If route to Winnipeg has been via all rail, ticket to return the same route to be issued free, or, if desired, ticket to return via Lake route to be issued on payment of \$4.50. If route to Winnipeg has been via Lake, ticket to return the same route to be issued on payment of \$9.00, or, if desired, ticket to return via rail to be issued on payment of \$4.50.

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Yarmouth, N. S. .... 51.50  
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