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CAPTURE 2,000 BOER PRISONERS

Great British Victory Reported as Having Been Won by Gen. White at Ladysmith.

Details are Meager—British Public Slow to Accept Reports Now—Fears of Official Blundering—Lord Wolseley's Admission that the Boers are More Powerful than was Thought—Estimate of Boer Forces—Naval Guns Better Than Field Guns—Defense of Pietermaritzburg—England's Large Force—Vigilance of the Channel Squadron—Dispatch Later Than the Alleged Great Victory Reports No Fighting—Colenso Not Occupied by Boers—News from Kimberley.

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IN THE STATE ELECTIONS TODAY.

Balloting Generally Lively, With Little Disturbance.

SOME STATES VERY CLOSE.

Democrats Claim Heavy Gains in Kentucky—Gain Republicans Confident—Other Places.

Twelve States hold elections today and generally all was quiet. The attendance was not so large as it promised to be, because of the doubtful weather, but the polls were filled to some of the opening of the polls. Here are the telegraphed reports.

NEW YORK.

New York, Nov. 7.—The weather in Greater New York today could not have been bad. Voting all over the city was at a pretty rapid rate considering that only four offices and amendments were to be elected. The polls opened at 6 o'clock and will close at 5.

In Harlem, where there are several close assembly districts, the early rush was so heavy as to surprise the old [illegible]

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THE ELECTION IN SALT LAKE TODAY

About Sixty Per Cent of the Registered Vote Cast at Three o'clock this Afternoon—Both Confident of Success.

Weather Conditions Were Very Favorable—No Serious Trouble in Any of the Districts—Heavy Vote Being Cast—Much Scratching is Being Done—Voting was Generally Slow During the Forenoon, though the Ballots Came in More Rapidly During the Afternoon—Polls Opened at Seven and Will Close at Seven—Saloons Scaled Up for the Day—Comparatively Few Complaints—All Uncertainty Yet.

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