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CANADA'S CRACK TROOPERS.

Lord Strathcona's Horse and the Gallant Soldier who Commands It.

BY CHARLES WARNER.

The third contingent of Canadian troops now sent for service in South Africa is a body of 500 volunteer troopers known as Strathcona's horse. This organization has been raised and equipped at the sole expense of Lord Strathcona, better known as Sir Donald Smith. He is the richest man in Canada.

The Strathcona horse is largely composed of young men from British Columbia. They are picked men, the best that could be found in that great province whose northern boundaries are up among the region of eternal ice, but on whose level southern stretches immense grain crops are raised. Each trooper is a perfect horseman and a good shot. His equipment is good as money can buy, and he knows that no expense will be spared to keep him comfortable and in good fighting shape.

The man who has been selected to command this crack body of troopers is the most popular soldier in Canada. He is Lieutenant Colonel S. B. Steele, late of the Northwest Mounted Police. When the Canadian government was notified by the British war office of its acceptance of a second contingent of 1,000 mounted riflemen, Lieutenant Colonel Steele was appointed second in command, Lieutenant Colonel Herchmer, also a man of famous reputation in the N. W. M. P. service, being given the supreme command.

The mounted rifles had not left Halifax, however, when the order came to raise a force of 500 troopers at Lord Strathcona's expense, and Steele was detached with the second contingent and offered the command of the Strathcona horse. He accepted promptly, and the force was recruited within a week.

Lieutenant Colonel Steele has been connected with the Northwest Mounted Police ever since its organization 27 years ago. He comes of a fighting family and has a reputation, in the force and throughout the territories, which has endeared him to the policemen and made his name a synonym for all that is bravest and most to be admired in a soldier.

Two years ago Colonel Steele was sent to the Yukon in charge of a detachment of Northwest Mounted Police. In Dawson and vicinity Colonel Steele gave invaluable assistance to the Canadian government in the organization of order out of the chaos of a mining camp, and the rougher element soon learned to respect the scarlet jacketed troopers.

Lord Strathcona, who has shown his loyalty to England in this liberal manner, is the second Canadian to be elevated to the peerage. He has been at the head of the rich Hudson Bay company, is a director and chief stockholder of the Canadian Pacific Railroad and has besides extensive business interests not only in Canada but in the United States. He was made a peer at the time of Queen Victoria's diamond jubilee.

He was born in Morayshire, Scotland, in 1821. He was a sturdy lad with a strong desire for learning. Early in the forties he took passage on a sailing vessel for Canada. He wanted to join the Hudson Bay company. Brother Scots had spent years in Canada had become chief factors and had come back rich. They told stories of the wealth to be obtained in buying furs from the Indians, and round the fire at night related tales of wild adventure that stirred the blood of young Smith. So he sought and obtained a job as apprentice clerk for the Hudson Bay company. He was not to get any salary, but that did not deter him. Promotion was rapid in those days, and there was always an opportunity for a young man who worked faithfully. Donald Smith quickly passed the apprentice stage. He was promoted from one post to another.

Then came the desire of Canada for an extension of territory and protests against the monopoly of the Hudson Bay company. Donald Smith was made the resident governor and chief commissioner of the company, but he proved to be the last governor. The company was dissolved in 1867, and Hudson Bay territory became part and parcel of Canada. He turned his attention to the colonizing of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories, and everything he did was successful.

When the project to build the Canadian Pacific was in danger of falling through from lack of enthusiasm, he came to the front and with his money and influence made it a success. He has been called "The Father of the Canadian Pacific," and it was for this service that he was knighted.

Then he was drawn into politics. He was elected to the Canadian parliament from Manitoba whenever he felt like going. A few years ago the man who had sailed from England a poor boy and who had begun in America a pelt trader returned to London as lord high commissioner of Canada, to be made a peer of the realm. And now he comes to the aid of England with as fine a body of mounted troopers as a general could ask for.

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Sir William Van Horne Wants to Control Cuba.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 20.—Sir William Van Horne, recently president and general manager of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, is here to submit to the President and the Secretary of War his plan for the construction of a complete railway system in Cuba. Sir William has \$25,000,000 in capital at his disposal for this purpose, which was subscribed in a few moments the other day by a group of American citizens to whom he submitted his plans, Pierpont Morgan, Mr. Rockefeller, Mr. Flagler, John W. Mackay, D. O. Mills, Samuel Thomas, Granville M. Dodge and others offering as much as he might need for the purpose.

Sir William believes that Cuba is the richest spot on earth and that its development will be very rapid and profitable to every one who takes hold of it with energy and intelligence. The balance of trade in its favor during Spanish occupation was two and one-half to one, and he believes that it will be six to one within the next five years. There is no spot on the globe, in his opinion, where so much of value can be produced with so little labor, and the unexplored and undeveloped area is much greater than that now under cultivation. In order to hasten its development railways are necessary, and therefore Sir William Van Horne and his associates are willing to take the risk of anticipating the future.

They propose to buy and consolidate all the existing railways, which have a mileage of about 1200 miles, divided up into short lines running from the principal seaports over the sugar country, and extend them until every province shall be well supplied with transportation facilities. They first propose to construct what he calls a vertebral line from Cape Antone, the extreme western tip, to Cape Maisi, the extreme eastern tip of the island, which is about 760 miles, running as near the centre of the island as economical engineering will permit. From this main stem, or backbone, they will construct a series of ribs from convenient junctions north and south to the accessible ports, thus giving an outlet to the products of the central portion of the island, which now have no roads and are beyond reach.

The total area of Cuba is about 45,000 square miles. Of this 15,000 square miles is uncleared and unexplored forest; 7000 square miles is devoted to pasture; 10,000 square miles susceptible of cultivation has never felt the plow, and only about 12,000 square miles, or a little more than one-fourth of the entire area, is or ever has been productive.

Sir William Van Horne unfortunately visits Washington at an inopportune time, because the Secretary of War and three members of the committee on Cuban relations are now in Cuba. He is going back to New York and will return next week for a conference with them. Sir William has already made large investments in Cuba, having recently purchased a controlling interest in the street railways of Havana, which will be supplied with electrical motors as soon as possible and extended into the suburbs in all directions. He has also purchased 50,000 acres of mahogany land on the banks of the Cauto River in the southern part of the island and has organized a stock company with a capital of \$750,000 to pay for it and develop it. The company will erect saw-mills at once to cut the timber for market. The mahogany will be sent to New York, and the cedar, which is plentiful, will be shipped to Havana and Key West for the manufacture of cigar boxes. Sir William Van Horne and his associates ask no subsidy or guaranty of any kind, but simply seek permission to purchase the right of way and extend the railroad system of Cuba over the entire island.

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