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St. John, N. B.

CANADIANS UNDER WITHERING FIRE. Vivld Account of the Contingent's First Fight at Paardeberg.

One of the most interesting and vivid accounts written of the Paardeberg fight on Feb. 18, in which so many casualities occurred among the Canadians, was received at Toronto from a member of the Canadian contingent. It is contained in two letters, which between them convey an admirably concise idea of the battle and of the part taken in it by the Canadian regiment. The writer says:-

"We arrived here after a long night march of 23 miles, and were almost immediately ordered into action, having to ford the Modder neck-deep, with a nine-mile current, by the assistance of ropes. We came under fire at 10.15 and advanced steadily until 11.30, when we lay, hardly moving, at 600 yards range. About 4.45 I was on the left, and sat down near the colonel of the Cornwalls (since dead) and a lieutenant of the Seaforths (also since dead.) The fire at this point was very hot, my helmet being hit while endeavouring to take a picture and my badge shot

"At ten minutes past five the order was given to fix bayonets and charge. I quite felt it was a hopeless undertaking to cover 600 yards of open ground, where the enemy had the exact range. When we started to move the bullets were like a perfect hailstorm, and the men fell by dozens all about me. I fell then about 80 yards from the Boer rifle pits, shot from the left through the shoulder."

"We arrived at Paardeberg at about 6 a. m., all tired out, and expected a day's rest. Just after halting we heard the guns about three miles distant, and on enquiry found that Kitchener was attacking Cronje a short distance up the river. Three of us got permission to go out to see the firing, intending to breakfast on return. After watching the firing for a short time we looked back, and to our astonishment saw the regiment falling in so we doubled nearly all the way back, arriving just as they were moving off.

The brigade just moved a mile up the river, and then back again, it being evidently intended to make a flank attack by crossing the river. This was accomplished by means of ropes stretched across and fastened on either side to trees. The river was up to our shoulders, and a nine-mile current made it most difficult to cross. Some companies marched in fours, interlocking their arms about each other's necks, and as each company crossed it was immediately advanced. This would be about two miles from the enemy's position.

"I was the last of our company to cross, and just after I crossed the line broke, and I was detained to help in fastening it, so that when I started our company was at least 600 yards away, and I had a long double to catch

"The Gordons moved around more to the left. We advanced a mile, extended two paces, then increased it to five. Here I saw the first splatter of dust caused by a bullet striking the ground about 20 paces in front of me. After this they came pretty thick, but mostly over our heads. The enemy could not see us, as we were behind a rising piece of ground, but were, I think, firing at some of the Highland Brigade, who forced a passage furthur up stream.

"The regiment advanced steadily in a perfect line, and exact interval, the officers about ten paces in front. At about 1,400 yards from the enemy we were halted. It was very trying to lie still and not return the fire, which was now quite hot.

"At the point quite a few were hit. Here I managed to get something to eat, as I had had nothing since 3 p. m. the day previous. I always carried some emergency rations in my haversack, and it came in very acceptably. Then I wrote up my dairy. While I was writing, a bullet struck just at my feet, sending the dust over everything and into my eyes, so that I could not see.

"At 11.30 we advanced again, and this time the right section and 'D' Company with part of 'E,' which were on the right, got into the firing line. We found the enemy strongly entrenched in a ravine leading to the river; the ravine was densely wooded, and the trees were full of 'snipers,' and excellent shorts they are. I doubt very much if we have men to equal them. The firing line that was on the enemy's right flank was from 400 yards on the right to about 800 on the left of a rising ground on the right, enabling us to get closer. Here we remained (Canadians, Highlanders, and others) nearly all afternoon. It was a very hot spot, for although we could see but few of the enemy at close range, the trees were evidently full of snipers. I am sure that two out of every three men that got up were hit. The unfortunate ammunition carriers were excellent targets for the sharp-

"At 3.30 a drenching rain came down which soaked us. This, on the contrary to being a disagreeable incident was a heavenly blessing, for by this time all were quite dry after their wetting in the river, and the burning sun must soon have told on men who had for nearly a week been kept at forced marches, and had little or no sleep.

St. John, N. B. I "At about four I was on the left at a point I

where the ground between our position and that of the enemy was quite open, and where there were an officer of the Seaforth Highlanders and a number of Canadians among them Sergt. Freemantle, of the Grenadiers. Here I took a photo, which I hope will turn out well, for in my efforts to get it I also got

a bullet through my helmet. Cornwalls with part of his battalion came up and ordered the men to fix bayonets, saying of a railroad line in Cuba from Cape Antone that the position must be taken with the on the extreme western coast to Cape Maisi bayonet. At the word 'Charge!' away all went with a cheer, and then the bullets whistled until it was like the buzzing of pose of Sir William Van Horne and his asthousands of bees, and men fell by dozens. At about 100 yards or perhaps less from the in Cuba, with the line the entire length of position I fell; this was exactly at 15.10, for the island as the main trunk and several I immediately looked at my watch. To my knowledge only about six of those who start- and to the south. ed from the position I refer to escaped, and they had to fall to save themselves. Many wounded were hit a second time, and some | the railroad syndicate and secure a permit to killed while lying there."

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VANSHORNE'STILL'AT WORK.

Ex-President of the C. P. R. Arranging His Plans for Cuba With the U. S. Secre : tary of War.

WASHINGTON, March 30.—Sir William Van Horne, recently president and general manager of the Canadian Pacific Railroad; Gen. Grenville M. Dodge and Gen. Samuel Thomas "At about five o'clock the colonel of the had a conference today with the Secretary of War regarding a plan for the construction on the extreme eastern coast of the island, a distance of about 760 miles. It is the pursociates to form a complete railroad system smaller lines branching from it to the north

The purpose of the conference with Secretary Root was to lay before him the plans of purchase the right of way. Secretary Root informed them that the United States had no authority to make any concessions or to grant any franchises or rights of way. He said that such a permit would have to come from the people of Cuba. Secretary Root said this afternoon that he believed the construction of the railroad as contemplated would prove a wonderful advantage to the island, but he could not see how the War Department could authorize its construction. He thought it probable that as soon as the municipal government perfect an organization permits for rights of way could be secured from the municipalities thru which the railroad would pass. If this cannot be done the railroal syndicate will probably have to wait until the organization in the island of the Cuban Government, which would have authority to make any concessions or grant any rights of way.

The syndicate represented by Sir William Van Horne has already made large investments in Cuba and has acquired a controlling interest in the street railways of Havana. The capital at the disposal of the syndicate is said to be \$25,000,000, and special efforts will be made to secure as soon as possible the necessary authority for the beginning of the work on the railroad.

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