

WHOLE WORLD RESOUNDS.

With Praise for the Gallant Canadians Who Drove Back the Boers at Hart's River.

OUR FELLOW COUNTRYMEN DIED AT THEIR POST RATHER THAN SURRENDER.

Only Two New Brunswickers Among the Wounded—None Killed.

CHAMBERLAIN'S CONGRATULATIONS.

Mr. Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies telegraphs Lord Minto: "I congratulate the Dominion on the heroic conduct of the Canadian Rifles in action with Delarey. I deeply regret the heavy casualties, and desire to express my heartfelt sympathy with the relatives of those who have given their lives to maintain the splendid traditions of Canadian valor."

Kierksdorp, Transvaal Colony, April 6.

—Details just received of the battle at Doornbalt farm March 31, in which the British had three officers and 24 men killed, and 16 officers and 131 men wounded, while the Boers had 137 men killed or wounded, show that quite 2,000 Boers opened a strong attack from different points with three guns and a pom pom. This attack was made at a moment when the British had left their luggage in a laager in charge of the Canadian contingent and were galloping across the open plain with the intention of capturing a Boer convoy which had been discovered five miles ahead. The British retired steadily, and, having dismounted, opened a return fusillade on the Boers.

While the baggage in charge of the Canadians was sent for the British formed a camp and started digging trenches. The shelling of the Boers stamped the mules carrying provisions and caused confusion. But otherwise it was not very effective as many shells failed to explode.

The Boer attack was very bold and determined. The Canadians in front were attacked in strong numbers and gallantly repelled every attempt made by the Boers to break through them. One party of the Canadians fought until all were killed or wounded, and the last man of this party, although mortally wounded, emptied two bandoliers of cartridges at the enemy and then broke his rifle.

The fighting was severe and general for fully three hours, but after the British had formed their camp and started the trenches, and the guns got into action, the British forces, in close order, repelled numerous and determined attacks made under the personal exhortations of the Boer leaders.

Towards night the fire gradually ceased and the Boers retired.

The British then telegraphed for aid and further entrenched their camp for the night to await the arrival of General Kitchener, but the Boers made no attempt to renew the attack.

Canadian Casualties.

Ottawa, April 7.—The list of casualties at Hart's River received here yesterday shows the severity of the engagement. Out of 11 men killed, seven were enlisted in Ontario, one of the two British Columbia men killed, Peters, was also an Ontario man. The other was a Quebec man, enlisted in Montreal. There are three in the wounded list from the maritime provinces. The remainder are largely from Manitoba, the Northwest and British Columbia. Sherritt, among the killed, was the great bicycle rider from Brantford. He was in the first contingent and passed through all the engagements, 32 in all, unscathed. There are 30 casualties in addition to the four officers already announced and there are still 21 to be accounted for, making 55 in all.

The list received is as follows:

Killed.

Sergt. John Campbell Perry, Galt.
Corporal Alf Sherritt, Guelph, Ont.
Private W. E. Peters, Cranbrook, B. C.
Private W. Volliath, Revelstoke, B. C.
Private M. G. Huston, London, Ont.
Private C. N. Evans, London, Ont.
Private W. P. K. Milligan, Peterboro, Ont.

Dangerously Wounded, Since Dead.

Private A. West, Montreal.
Private D. H. Campbell, Brandon, Man.

Dangerously Wounded.

Corporal S. Howard, Montreal.
Private S. M. Lezert, Cranbrook, B. C.
Private J. C. Gaffine, Cranbrook, B. C.

Severely Wounded.

Sergt. A. Milne, Calgary, N. W. T.
Shoengemith W. H. Hunter, Winnipeg.
Private J. C. Fisher, Vancouver, B. C.
Private L. Stratton.
Private B. Hodges, Manitoba.
Private F. W. Dennbey, Calgary, N. W. T.
Private Chalmers, Calgary, N. W. T.
Amonos Derrah, Hartland, N. B.
Private John Grant Gunn, London, Ont., Tenth Canadian Field Hospital.

Slightly Wounded.

Sergt. C. R. Othen, Brandon, Man.
Sergt. Thomas Western, Portage La Prairie.
Private A. Fortey, Winnipeg, Man.
Private J. Simonds, Nelson, B. C.
Private P. Hendy, Rossland, B. D.
Private Alexander McDonald, Fort Steele, B. C.
Private H. Hawes, Halifax, N. S.
Private J. N. Biswanger, Halifax, N. S.
Released men state that Corporal W. A. Kinsley, Toronto, and Private T. B. Day, are killed.

The names here given are in addition to Lieute. Ryan, McKay, Marknam and Loudon, wounded, mentioned in the first cable.

Toronto, April 6.—The Telegram's special cable from London says: "London newspapers today publish the war news with headings in which the gallant conduct of the second Canadian Mounted Rifles in the recent fighting at Hart's River is paid tribute. The Daily Telegraph describes it as 'The Canadians' Valour'; the Daily Chronicle 'Splendid Canadian Valor'; the Standard, 'Gallantry of the Canadians'; the Globe, 'Bravery of the Canadians'; and the Westminster Gazette, 'Death rather than Surrender.'"

Cablegrams Sent and Received.

Ottawa, April 7.—Hon. Dr. Borden received the following cable from Col. Evans, commanding the Second Canadian Mounted Rifles:

Cape Town, April 5.

Minister of Militia, Ottawa:
Regiment and field hospital have undergone a severe test and have acquitted themselves most creditably. Regret heavy casualties.

(Signed) EVANS.

The minister of militia sent the following cable to Col. Evans in reply:

Ottawa, April 6.

Evans, Commanding Canadian Rifles:
Congratulate you on regiment's bravery and deeply deplore heavy losses.

(Signed) BORDEN.

Lord Dundonald cables as follows to the Minister of Militia:

London, April 6.

Many congratulations, and heartfelt sympathy for glorious losses.

(Signed) DUNDONALD.

Ottawa, April 6.—Lord Minto has sent the following cable to the general commanding Cape Town:

Please communicate the following to officer commanding Canadian Mounted Rifles: Heartly congratulations to all ranks on their splendid success. Deeply deplore heavy loss. (Sgd.) MINTO.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Attorney General and Mr. Hazen Paid Splendid Tributes to Canadian Gallantry.

The Attorney General, who was leading the legislature Saturday afternoon in the absence of Premier Tweedie, said he thought it his duty to call the attention

of the house to the gallant conduct of our Canadian soldiers in the action at Hart's River on the 31st of March. In that action Lord Kitchener's official report said: "The Canadian Rifles especially distinguished themselves, one party, commanded by Lieut. Bruce Carruthers, holding its post until every man was killed or wounded." He felt certain that it was the desire of the members of this house, as it was of the government, to show their appreciation and warm admiration of the unflinching courage of our Canadian boys in defence of the old flag in South Africa. Lieut. Markham of St. John, one of our own young men, was among the wounded, but he was glad to know that his life was not in danger. While we all recognize how sad are the occasions to the whole country, we all have a feeling of pride in our own boys who have conducted themselves so nobly in South Africa. (Applause.)

Mr. Hazen said it was most fitting and proper that the attorney general should have made this reference to our boys in South Africa. During the session of 1899, several times members had taken occasion to praise the grand conduct of the Canadians in the war. While many events that have occurred in South Africa have given cause for criticism, there has never been a word that could be said against the courage or conduct of a single Canadian soldier. All will remember with feelings of pride the distinguished part that was taken by the Canadians in the capture of General Cronje's forces at Paardeburg. It was admitted that this success was largely due to the coolness and courage of the Canadians. But that event did not reflect greater lustre on the sons of Canada than did the engagement of the 31st of March, where they held their positions although not a single man escaped being killed or wounded. There were five young men from Fredericton in the contingent that was engaged at Hart's River, one of them being the son of the deputy provincial secretary. He hoped that later despatches would show that none of them lost their lives. It was only fitting that this legislature should take notice of an action which reflected undying glory, not only on the people of Canada, but on the province of New Brunswick. (Applause.)

FOUGHT HAND TO HAND.

Desperate Encounter Between Britons and Boers in a Pitchy Dark Night.

Pretoria, April 7.—Details received here of the rear guard action during the night of March 31, between the Second Dragoon Guards of Colonel Lawley's column, and the Boers, near Boschmanskop, show that a force of 200 British while endeavoring to surprise a Boer laager on a dark night, rode straight into a force of 500 Boers. The Boers were hidden in a drift and opened fire from almost under the legs of the British horses. A fierce hand to hand struggle ensued, in which both sides freely used the butt ends of their rifles. The British regained the ridge they had just left and commenced a rear guard action. In the meantime a strong force of Boers had barred the road back to the British camp. The coming daylight enabled Col. Lawley to see that the Guards were hard pressed and he dispatched reinforcements, with two guns, to their assistance. The reinforcements soon compelled the Boers to retreat.

The Guards had a very hard fight and were ordered to retire by squadrons. The Boers disputed every inch of the road with the Guards and continually attempted to rush them, shouting "Hands up." At each successive position taken up the British appeared in diminished numbers, for as it grew lighter, the aim of the Boers improved proportionately.

71st Band Concert.

Mrs. O. S. Crockett, Miss Jennie Babbitt, Mr. H. V. B. Bridges and Mr. A. E. Massie will sing at the band concert next Wednesday night. A beautiful violin duet will be given by Mr. R. H. Nichols and a most promising pupil, Master Ray McGibbon. Tickets at McMurray's.—d.

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1894	6,597,336.30	359,783.12
1895	6,797,391.05	435,113.55
1896	7,039,323.43	507,348.19
1897	7,236,555.75	548,321.09
1898	7,544,227.02	574,224.75
1899	7,991,042.63	576,807.50
1900	8,482,038.00	586,040.24
1901	9,013,082.63	607,932.00
	Premium Income.	Total Income.
1893	\$ 964,201.08	\$1,261,930.51
1874	989,552.73	1,296,145.86
1895	1,040,240.77	1,353,713.38
1896	1,107,779.45	1,421,686.70
1897	1,182,965.15	1,525,630.16
1898	1,278,649.29	1,665,430.85
1899	1,444,862.27	1,833,919.16
1900	1,575,176.25	1,959,882.01
1901	1,735,036.06	2,105,141.94
	Notices of Death.	Amount of Insurance in Force.
1893	\$456,000	\$35,914,417
1894	452,628	36,312,041
1895	498,969	36,932,148
1896	418,436	38,086,849
1897	604,811	39,943,575
1898	571,316	42,222,364
1899	600,206	46,054,820
1900	594,110	50,191,853
1901	685,472	52,945,044

From the foregoing tables it will be observed that more than two and one-half million dollars have been added to the Assets during the period outlined, that the Premium Income has increased seven hundred seventy thousand dollars, that the surplus to policy holders has increased nearly three-fold and that over seventeen million dollars more insurance is now in force than at the beginning of the term designated.

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