

an' us on the other, wid the old scow floatin' down bechume us. We halted an' bivouacked that noight at a place called "MacIntosh's," about 18 miles from Clarke's Crossin', an' on the mornin' ov the 24th we pushed on fer Batoche. We were moving along at a good steady pace, an' 'had jist got opposite to a place called Fish Creek, which wuz on the other soide ov the river, whin Bang, Bang, goes the 10ifles across the river, an' we knew that the Gineril had found what he wuz lookin' fer. Thin came the boom ov the artillery, an' a short whoile afterwards a galloper roides down to the east soide ov the river an' shouted out fer the Infantry fer to come over quick. Well, ye see, No. 1 Company wuz thrown out as an advanced guard at the toime, so Kurnel Grasett orders Captin Mason fer to take No. 2 Company over first. Now this wuz the very chance we wuz lookin' fer, an' ye may be sure we lost no toime in gettin' into shape. We wuz soon packed into the scow an' me an' Lord Melgund an' Liftinint Hays wuz pullin' loike the very devil on wan ov them big oars that wuz cut out ov a tree wid an axe. It took many a long pull an' many a strong pull but we got over in pretty short order considerin', an' scrambled up the steep bank as best we cud. "Well done, Grasett" sez the Gineril, "I didn't expect ye so soon," an' that's all there wuz sed, there wusn't no toime fer makin' purty spaches such as ye read ov in story books, there vuz work to be done. We wuz hustled right over to the right cin-tre ov the ravine, or the "hornets' nest" as the byes called it, an' tuck up an' advanced position extinded in skirmishin' order. We soon found where the inemy

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wuz, they wuz down in the ravine well under cover wid the goth "A" battery, "C" company an' Boulton's scouts pumpin' lead into thim from the crest ov the high ground. The first thing me oie lit on wuz a dead Injin an' an artilleryman that had bin killed early in the game loike, they were lyin' widin 20 paces ov wan another. By the Lord Harry, sor, me heart left into me mouth like a flash an' I almost let a yell out ov me. Oh, sor, or'll swear oi wuzn't scared but it all seemed so suddin' loike that I wuz tuck unawares, but I pulled meself together an' I wuz meself agin in no toime, an' ready fer bizness. We wuz shoved over to the extreme roight where we relaved some ov the little black divils" as the goth wuz called, who had bin kapin' up their ind ov the stick in foine stoile, but wid wid considerable loss more's the pity. Soon after two more compantes ov the Granideers came across the river an' things got more interestin' loike. Captain Mason offered fer to take his men an' clean out the ravine, but the Gineril he sez, "No, no;" sez he, "We've lost too many good men already." Things went hummin' along in a kind ov give an' take sort ov a way. Bechune the shots we cul hear Gabriel Dumont jollyin' on the rebels an' telling fer to "fire higher," to "fire lower," for to

"keep back" an' all that sort ov thing. He wuz directin' thim wid whistle sounds an' as the Gineril sed to Kurnel Grasett "it wuz fer all the world loike the poipin' ov a bo'sun." Durin' the day the Gineril got a bullet in his cap an' his two aidy camps wuz hit. About 4 o'clock the "Cease Fire" sounded an' the scrap wound up in a kind ov a "saw off."

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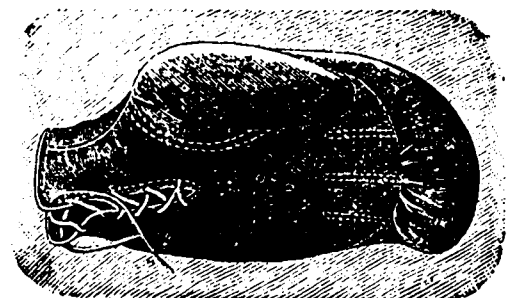
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