St. John Man Trained On Salisbury Plains

Charles Ledford Marched Over Ground on Which Canadians Are Now Learning Fine Points of Game of War-Duke of Cannaught Brigade Major Then--500,000 People Saw Final Review and March Past.

(Written for The Telegraph by Charles Ledford.)

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Scarcely two months have passed since I marched in the citizens' guard of honor at the farewell to our brave. St. John boys who enlisted for foreign service, and now I read with great interest that they are training on my old camping ground at Salisbury Plain. It was there forty-two years ago that I learned something of the real life of the soldler and I am sure that our Canadian boys will be delighted with the fully-equipped training grounds and rejoice in the opportunity to learn the art of war in all its essentials.

I well remember that in the year 1872 the pleasure it afforded me to participate in the autumn manoeuvres held there. My regiment, the 49th Middlesex Rifle Volunteers, under command of Lieut.-Col. Du Plat Taylor, with several other detachments of volunteers and the household troops of cavalry and infantry. Life Guards and Coldstream Guards took train for Newbury, Berkshire, on the borders of the plains, where we encamped with the defending army of 30,000 troops. The invading troops of a like number were supposed to be marching on London by way of Salisbury, Wilts. On Saturday, the day of our arrival, we got placed in the duties common to a soldier, hard and stremous, such as fatigue work, guard duty, outpost, etc., learning to shoot and tent pitching we already had gone through. Sunday the troops had church parade, which was very easy.

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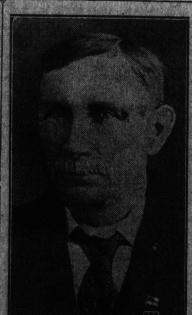
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Monday we had a general field day and found out that General Wolseley was and found out that General Wolseley was commander-in-chief with Prince Arthur, our present governor-general, a brigade major, with other distinguished men in command of brigades and divisions. This day tried the physique and hardened us up quite a bit, but on Tuesday we took a forced march of twenty-five miles to try our endurance and it did that all right as we were in heavy marching order. The volunteers held their own with the regulars though compelled to carry just the same weight. One thing to our advantage was that the marching songs were well known by the Londoners; the songs were of all kinds. John Barleycorn was one of the favorites and I suppose if they had known it then we would have sung it's a Long Way to Tipperary.

We halted on our way at Stoneheuge, a place famous in English history, and then proceeded to the outskirts of the plains and encamped.

On Outpost Duty.

There I went on outpost duty and we can do it again in earnest of at least those who have followed in a terrific thunder storm without shelter gave me an idea of a soldier's life day, i.e., we did not move our camp; close form and a life of the plains and on an advantage was a reet day, i.e., we did not move on camp: does not make the content of the facing shot and shell as the lighting was very severe. Next day was a reet does do remained to the content of the content



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Illness of nearly a year. Mr. McConnell was one of the best known residents of the North End. He was born in Ireland seventy-two years ago, and came to St.

John when a young man. He opened a store in Main street forty-seven years ago, and conducted an extensive grocery business at the sam estand for forty-three years, when he retired and the business was taken over by his son, Robert, Other sons are Rev. J. W. McConnell, pastor of Trinity Methodist church, Amherst; Solomon, of the St. John Board of Health; George, a treveler for Jones & Schofield; Charles, who conducts a men's furnishing store in Main street, and Allan, of Vancouver. There are also two daughters, Misses Lilly and Carrie, both, at home. Mrs. McConnell died more than a year ago.

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Albert, N. B., Oct. 18—The hearing in the alleged poisoning case reached a conclusion at the police court yesterday of the British and French troops to have wiped out whole battalions are absolutely true. Reserve infantry regiment No. 17 lost in one battalion 800 may friends who gill break fast time Saturday, morning, when court is sturied, and all priday night till break fast time Saturday, morning, when court is sturied in the claims of the British and French troops to have wiped out whole battalions are absolutely true. Reserve infantry regiment No. 17 lost in one battalion 800 many friends who appeared for the sturied with the saturday morning, when court is sturied to have been and in another battalion of the same regiment No. 68 is said to have had an unassessable loss and such words as "innumerable losses." In the past and the past and did morn than a year ago.

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Robert B. Thomps Saturday, Oct. 17.

Robert Bruce Thompson, aged fiftyfour years, died yesterday after an illness of several weeks. He was a bricklayer and was well known in West St.

John. He was unmarried and leaves one
brother and three sisters. The funeral
will take place from his late residence,
and of her crew of 400 officers and men
only 73 are known to have been saved.

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GUNS OF BRITISH FLEET DRIVE GERMANS FROM TRENCHES: RECAPTURE OF OSTEND REPORTED

London, Oct. 20, 2.55 a.m.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Havre, dated Monday, says:

"The Belgian ministry of war this morning received information that the Germans Sunday attacked Nieuport, but were repulsed by the Belgian army, which also vigorously repulsed a German attack on Dixmude." (Special Cable to Daily Telegraph and Montreal Gazette.)

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Brigade Leader With Canadians



RECORD OFFICE FOR CANADIANS

Opened in London For Pay of Troops and Issue of Casualty Lists

MORE TROOPS ARRIVED

Debarked at Avonmouth on Sunday and Proceeded to Salisbury Plain Some Nurses Who Sailed With "Canucks" Start Duty in St Thomas' Hospital, London.

Salisbury, England, Oct. 20, via Lonion, 1.20 a. m.-Except for a few detachments working with the supply and horse transport trains all the Canadians have arrived at their four camps scattered over Salisbury Plain.

The early arrivals, who have com-Edmond Delorme, medical inspectorgeneral of the army and a member of
Academy of Medicine.

Since the beginning of the war he has
been on an official mission of inspection
of field and other hospitals, where the
French wounded have been treated.

"He established in the first place,"
says the Figaro, "that sanitary conditions in our army are perfect. During
this war the number of cases of sickness is less than in time of peace."

The early arrivals, who have completted their camp-making, amused themselves today by playing baseball and
football. Among the players there appeared a surprising number of sweaters
weaters was the Winged Foot, emblem of the
New York Athletic Club. One of these
weaters was residing in New York had equipped
and sent to Canada more than 2,000 recruitis who are now with the Canadian

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