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FRONT LINE POSITION FOR THE CANADIANS MEANS THAT THEY HAVE MADE FINE IMPRESSION

Sing Rule Britannia at Request of Germans in Trenches Quite Near to Them—Newsy Letter From Toronto Officer

The following are extracts from letters from Lieut. F. W. Macdonald, of the 68th Highlanders, son of Colonel W. C. Macdonald, of the Confederation Life, Toronto. The letters were dated from March 11 to March 16:

"There has been terrific fighting on both sides of us during the last few days. It started on the 10th when the British captured Neuve Chapelle. We were very much disappointed a couple of days ago, as we had expected to make an attack, but it was called off at the last moment. On our left, north of Arras, the Hun's made a very strong attack two nights ago and captured some of our trenches but I believe we managed to get them nearly all back again. The losses on both sides during the last few days have been very heavy, I believe. So far our division had made a very favorable impression judging by what I hear and also from the fact that we have been put right into the first line."

Shelled Every Day
"Every day the enemy shells our trenches for an hour or so, and all we can do is to hug the parapet and wait till it is all over. They managed to hit one of our dugouts yesterday, and a couple of the men in Fessenden's platoon were slightly wounded. A shell dropped in (Capt) George Alexander's trench about five minutes ago, but luckily no one was hurt. So far we have had no one killed and four wounded in the battalion which is, I believe less than most of the Canadian battalions have suffered. We are now about four miles east of Neuve Chapelle. At last the weather has turned for the better and the last few days we have been in the trenches it has been quite delightful, and not hot by any means, but no rain."

"During the day very little firing is done except by snipers, so we sleep on the alert. Last night a peculiar thing happened just at dusk; there had been no firing on either side for a couple of hours. Some of the men started to cheer, which the Germans took up, and then for about fifteen minutes a shouted conversation was carried on between the two lines. Our men were on top of the parapet. I do believe, both sides would have gone out in the centre and had a chat if we had allowed our men to do what they wanted to. The Germans asked us to sing 'Rule Britannia' which we did. It was really quite interesting."

Casualties Slight
After coming out of the trenches two weeks ago, we were billeted in a town for several days. Then we marched about ten miles and spent the night in a large factory. The next day we moved on and were billeted for three days in a large farm-house four miles behind the line. We then relieved a regiment in the trenches and were there for three days. The casualties were slight. The Hun's made it rather unpleasant for us a couple of times by shelling our trenches with shrapnel, but the damage was slight, though we had a few unpleasant hours. When we came out of the trenches we were billeted at a farm. We were there at midnight and had dreams of a long sleep on the morrow, but we were aroused

from our slumbers at 4 a. m. and moved to a point one mile behind the line—this was yesterday, March 10. You of course know a good deal more of what occurred yesterday than we do, but at 7.30 a. m. sharp, what may prove to be the biggest battle the world has ever seen, started. The sound was terrific. We were in the trenches and the shells crashed for three hundred miles. The main object is no doubt to straighten out the line and to advance farther if all goes very well. We hear that the English army on our right has been quite successful. Again today the battle raged, but we have no news of today's fray."

9th Battery Praised
"The artillery has been doing great work. The 9th Battery from Toronto has been praised specially by General Smith-Dorrien. For the last two days the artillery has been hanging away incessantly and the noise has been terrific. From reports to date our artillery appear to have knocked the Hun's trenches to pieces and the British forces on our left have managed to gain the first line of the trench, and in some cases the second line. As an example the last day our turn in the trenches will come very soon again, likely just in time to be in taking the third dose I was helped in bed and slept half of the night."

I took several bottles of Swamp-Root and I feel that I owe my life to this wonderful remedy. The two family doctors said that I could not live three months. I would have to be helped in and out of bed ten to twenty times every day. After taking Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root for two days I was entirely free from getting up and could sleep soundly."

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AT AMHERST.
(Amherst News.)

The ladies of the Catholic church entertained the officers and men of the 22nd, French Canadian Battalion in the C. M. B. A. rooms yesterday afternoon. More than 1,000 of the officers and men were in attendance and enjoyed the hospitality extended to them by the ladies of this denomination. It was felt by the ladies of the church that it would be impossible to entertain all the men of this battalion at their different homes and so the "at home" was arranged in the C. M. B. A. club rooms.

A tea was served, followed by several selections of patriotic music and hymns. A number of the men of the battalion, who have the interests of Amherst at heart took charge of the large amount of food that was left over, and today are busily engaged in distributing the same to the poor and needy families of the town. Such an act as this is certainly appreciated by the town at large. Friday and Thursday were pay days for the 22nd regiment and for the 6th Mounted Rifles. This was the first regimental pay received by the "mounteds," and its pay roll alone, dating from the enlistment of the volunteers to date, totaled more than \$34,000. Altogether there was considerably more than \$60,000 handed to the officers and men of the two regiments on Thursday and Friday.

A consequence of the big pay money was freely spent on Saturday. The lively stalls, picture houses, restaurants, book stores, etc., did a thriving business.

The Postal Savings Banks throughout the United States have proved to be a great success. At the beginning of this year there were on deposit in these banks approximately \$89,200,000 to the credit of 407,000 people.

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AMENDMENTS TO INCORPORATION ACT

Fredericton, April 6.—The house met at 8.30 o'clock and went into committee to consider the bill to amend the act respecting incorporation of joint stock companies.

Hon. Mr. Baxter said that the bill was practically a codification of existing laws with some changes, chiefly for the purpose of conforming with the Dominion act.

Mr. Tilley protested against doing away with the necessity of giving notice of all application for incorporation.

Hon. Mr. Clarke thought the public are entitled to full notice and that there should be some provision for recalling letters patent wrongfully granted.

Mr. Price asked why the notice of intention to open up streets should be required only in St. John.

Mr. Stewart also protested against giving companies power to open streets and roads without the consent of the local authorities.

Hon. Mr. Baxter said that he would give the matter further consideration and the committee arose and reported progress.

9,925 German Officers Killed.

Of a grand total of 32,805 officers in the German army, including active service, reserve and Landwehr, at the beginning of the war, 9,925 have been killed and 21,881 have been wounded or are missing, a total loss of 31,276.

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A THRILLING TRIP

One of the Strangest and Bravest Exploits of the Entire War—Simple But Stirring Tale of Sergeant

(Correspondence N. Y. Sun.)
Paris, March 10.—One of the strangest and at the same time bravest exploits of the entire war has just come to light here. It happened during recent severe fighting in Flanders when a concealed German battery had been giving the French great trouble. A sergeant was ordered to ascend in an aeroplane with a lieutenant to observe the German position. They flew over the enemy's lines and were greeted with a hail of shells. The lieutenant was wounded and the sergeant, a young man, was made blind for life by an explosion 6,000 feet in the air, yet he guided his machine safely back to his own lines and brought to his commander the desired information.

The aeroplane was just above the German lines, the battery had been sighted and the machine was turning to go back when shells began bursting all around, until the sergeant could not see twenty yards ahead because of the smoke. Finally one shell burst right above his head. The sergeant describes his sensations thus:

"For a moment I believed my brain had burst. At the same time I experienced a sickening sensation. Then the sense of going to sleep came over me. I thought I was going to sleep. I thought I was going to sleep. I thought I was going to sleep."

"Despite my pain I kept the machine at the same height in order to avoid projectiles which were becoming scarce. 'Are you all right, mon lieutenant?'

I shouted. But I received no reply. Believing that he had not heard, I repeated the question, this time opening my eyes; but not only did I receive no reply but saw nothing but blackness all around me."

"I was alone in space 6,000 feet above the earth. I was afraid. For the last time I commended my soul to God. Nevertheless, hearing the enemy's batteries below, I had but one thought—to return, cost what it might, and bring to the officers the eagerly awaited information."

"Guided by notes below I turned in the direction in which I hoped to meet comrades. I continued in this direction, approximately for two minutes, when to my astonishment the Lieutenant called out: 'Look out, man! Go up! Go up!'

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