

## WITH THE BOMBERS.

Detail of bomb-throwing by numbers:

On the word ONE: The left hand firmly grasps the "Capstan" tin,\* fuse uppermost.

On the word TWO: The tin is placed between the knees.

On the word THREE: The match is taken from between the teeth by the right hand and is drawn smartly across the seat of the pants; should it not light at the first attempt, bend the knees in order to tighten the covering of the posterior, swear moderately, and try again, taking care not to drop the tin.

On the word FOUR: Apply the lighted match, which should be held between both hands to shield it from the wind, to the fuse. Upon the fuse spluttering, shout "Lit."

On the word FIVE: Grasp the tin in the right hand and carry it to the back of the shoulder in the first posture of throwing, at the same time counting slowly "one," "two," "three," "four," etc., depending on the length of the fuse.

On the word SIX—(which command is given just two seconds before the explosion of the bomb): Cast the d—d thing from you in the direction of the enemy and utter a fervent "Ave Pater."

N.B. Particular care should be taken, and nerve cultivated to that end, that the rate of counting is standardized by means of a stop watch to the rate of one per second. It will not do to count "one-two-three-four-five" in 4-5 seconds—as has been done.

\*The tobacco should be removed and carefully preserved for future use.

## HIAWATHA'S RETURN

(With apologies to Longfellow)

"Honor be to Mudjekewis!"

Cried the warriors, cried the brave men,  
Cried the mighty fusiliers,  
As he came in triumph homeward  
With the glorious golden headpiece,  
From the region of the Eastland,  
From the land of the O-ttawa,  
From the home of the staff soldiers,  
From the land of "bye-and-bye."

He had bought the golden glory  
From the stores of the Q.M.  
From the treasures of the staff house,  
From the terrors of the nation  
Had he boldly bought the beauty,  
Gold and brown and fiery red!

Then upon his brow he placed it,  
Placed it there in awful splendor.  
Swank and fearsome did he look then,  
Looked and felt the mighty warrior  
Needing lots of "ammunition,"  
Lots and lots of golden showers.  
Turned he then towards the Westland,  
To the wild and woolley regions,  
To the region of the Siwash  
And the home of brain and brawn.

Thus unto himself he communed:  
'With this mighty golden headpiece  
Will I now 'the natives' storm,  
Will I now the thinning ranks  
Of my mighty warrior legion  
Quickly fill with ardent soldiers,  
Full of brain and eke of brawn.

"Long enough have they stood willing,  
Willing to absorb the Chinook\*  
And their longing to part company  
For a chance to join the fray  
Will no longer need rebuking,  
Need refusal to join fighters,  
Fighters who are ever anxious  
For a chance to 'mix it' goodly,  
For this glorious golden headpiece  
Will soon act as a restorer  
Showing forth both brain and brawn."

—A.G.S.

\*The "Chinook"—the warm East wind.

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