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HOURS UNDER FIRE

Private Gorrie Writes Home a Bright Description

Of His Experiences During the Battle of Paardeberg—Poor Donegan was Shot Through the Heart.

Mrs. Gorrie received two letters this morning from her son William, who has been through the hottest part of the fighting in South Africa with the first Canadian contingent. In a previous letter he detailed the advance from Belmont to Paardeberg by forced marches, and the arrival of the Canadians on the battle field. In the first of the letters received by Mrs. Gorrie to day, dated Feb. 23, he takes up the interesting narrative where he broke off, and goes on as follows:

THEY CROSS THE RIVER.

We were taken to the river. It is called Mother by the Boer and Modder by the British. The ropes were strung across and the men took their turn holding the ends of these ropes while others went across holding on. The current was very strong and it was all I could do to hang on. Of course we got awful wet up to the shoulders and had to cut holes in the knees of our pants to let the water run out, our puttees holding the bottoms. Then we advanced to the field drying out as we went. When we had gone about 500 yards out

THE BULLETS

began to whistle around. And as we advanced still further they came still nearer, and now and again one would come plunk into the sand near you, and someone would remark that that was close. But you got rather creeped when, as you lay on the ground, one came along and threw sand all over your face. All the time in the advance it is done in this wise: You make a dash for say 100 yards and then lie down for awhile. And then the same thing over again, the firing line of course firing while down. Sometimes you have a wait of quite a while and you have only a short rest while you catch your breath. And then you would try to shrink into the size of a worm as you would hear the sing and crack as though the bullets were just about one inch from your head.

A DANGEROUS TRIP.

But to the point, I was lying in a roadway that was sunk in the sand about 2 feet, and ran almost straight for the Boer lines, with the colonel and major about 20 yards in front. The colonel wanted a message forwarded to the lieutenant-colonel. The major volunteered to take it, but the colonel said no, and called for a sergeant. But the men are being hands, and I do being the nearest, I was asked to do it, or rather asked if I would mind doing it. I, of course, said, "No." Before I had gone far I was well with in range of the Boer bullets. And just as I came up to our firing line I heard a terrific yelling to me to drop, which I did, and let them (the bullets) sing themselves away as they passed. Well, I got a rest and on again to a clump of bushes where a chap was lying under a tree. I found, with a bullet in his leg. I found it up with the field dressing, which we all carry in our pockets, and then on again to the 400 yds. He was about 40 yards in front of the firing line, all by himself. Well, I gave him the message, and started back with the answer, but had gone far when I met an officer who was waiting for me, and he took the message back and I stayed where I was for awhile. Just where I was there were about 20 men lying behind a mound, firing. When there was a few wounded here and around there. At one place about 20 yards away there was one chap of C. Company lying stretched out with a shot in his head. Well, I worked my way back to the company as best I could. We were on the reserves. By this time there were a lot of Black Watch boys, and as I took my rest, on the way back, I lay and chatted with them. Then, reaching my company I stayed there till we got orders to join the firing line. Then I worked forward again and lay round till

THE ORDER TO CHARGE

came. It came about 6.35, just before it started to get dark. Then, also, the list of killed and wounded. The order came from the colonel of the Cornwalls, who was the first man to start, and who was killed when he had gone but a short distance. The darkness closed in when we were still 400 yards from the enemy, and the day ended with bringing in the wounded, which lasted all night. As to the rest of the fight you know better than I. I am well, but must close now, as the mail is going shortly. I will write again when I have a chance. I am writing from the Boer laager from which we surrendered yesterday, after the fight with the Canucks. This is a Boer laager I am writing on and the envelope is also one I found in the laager. We got no letters now; they are all kept in Cape Town. I have to go on duty right away, so I can't help chopping off this way. We were all starved till yesterday, when we got some flour and lard which we used.

THE SECOND LETTER.

The second letter is dated March 3, and tells the sad story of how poor Donegan was killed. Private Gorrie writes: You have doubtless heard of the scrap the other night so I have just written this to let you know that although the Canadians lost 14 killed and 30 wounded, that I am all right. In fact I was not in it, that is actively, as I had been working hard the day before with a pick and shovel and was on account of it told to sleep instead of fight. And as I and the rest were quite willing we slept. Of course the bullets came our way, too, but as we were in a hollow we were all right. Two days after the big scrap we were in a skirmish which lasted all day and at times was rather hot. That day I came so close to it as to have a piece nicked out of the sole of my shoe by a bullet. One chap had four holes put in his clothes the day of the big battle without drawing blood and another had four bullet wounds but is far from being dead. Two chaps were wounded while sitting beside me. The first was asleep and the bullet hit a button on the pocket over his heart, then

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glanced off and went through the muscles of his left arm. From there it went right through the lungs of a chap near him but the last I heard of him he had a chance of pulling through. He was of B company. One of B company officers was struck in the right arm with a bullet. It went arm, but he is said to be getting on fine. So you see that everyone who is hit does not die. Most of the wounds are in the legs and arms, and most or nearly all the deaths are in the head or heart. "Chatham." In Donegan was hit in the heart while in that fatal charge. We expect to go from here to Bloemfontein. Well, I have no more news.

Slater Shoe Polish in Black and Tan, at the 2 T's.

TO MEET MONDAY NIGHT.

F. F. Quinn, received the following telegram from George Black, dated Muskogee, to-day:—"Must stay here to-morrow; can you call a meeting Monday; will manage Chatham." In reply to the above, Mr. Quinn secured the old town hall for Monday night and wired an answer to that effect. In the meantime notices will be sent out for a meeting on Monday evening of all citizens favorable to league baseball.

A SUPERB ORGANIZATION.

George H. Adams, famous clown; W. J. Cole, L. Farrell, E. Giguere of Giguere and Boyer, Harry Mayo, the well-known song writer, John E. Daniel, O. P. Hall, Yank Newell, Al. Newman, Lily Adams, Mattie Redpath, Rosea Cook, Tonina Adams, Stella McMillen, and a host of pretty girls, are with the new Muldoon's picnic, which is booked for the Grand Opera House to-night.

WANTS A RECOUNT.

A Grand Rapids dispatch says:—"Justice Harry D. Cowan, who was defeated Monday for re-election by 57 votes, to-day filed a petition for a recount. In the second precinct of the sixth ward he has found that there were 202 straight Republican ballots, but the total vote with which he is credited is only 167. No intentional fraud is suspected, but it was a bungling count, the inspectors in the precinct all having been inexperienced men, worked until 3 o'clock in the morning and recounted the votes three separate times, after which they apparently became disgusted and gave up. Justice Cowan asks to have the whole city recounted. John Seely, candidate for supervisor, also asks for a recount of his vote in that precinct. Justice Cowan is a brother of George and Fred Cowan, of this city. He was elected Justice easily in 1896, but the Highlander vote cut quite a figure this time, and went against everybody suspected of not being in sympathy with the Boer cause.

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THE PROBABILITY

G. N. W. Social. Toronto, April 6.—10 a. m.—Continued fair; Saturday mostly fair and mild, a few local showers.

LOCAL BRIEFS

The Shenango is expected at Erieau to-day or to-morrow.

London and Hamilton will likely enter the Eastern League.

If you are nervous, and can't sleep, you need a Turkish bath.

Bynde Bros. & Co., intend having a telephone placed in their mill.

The civil docket for the forthcoming assizes promises to be exceedingly large.

W. R. Riddell, Q. C., will conduct the crown business at the forthcoming assizes.

The court of revision on the William St. sewer is being held before Judge Bell to-day.

The Y. M. C. C. will give their first social after Lent on Wednesday evening, April 12.

Geo. Thompson, manager Goderich Lumber Co., is in the city to-day on business.

The Gas Company this week shipped a carload of gas to Capt. Post, at Erieau.

Harry Hall and Contractor Carswell went out to the Eau to-day to size up the improvements on the Bungalow.

Miss Angela McDonald, of this city, will take part in the program to be presented in Ridgetown opera house on April 19.

The S. Hadley Lumber Co., Ltd., were awarded the contract for fixtures and interior wood-work for the Ontario Loan & Savings Bank of Guelph.

The Lake Erie are purchasing a 10-wheel mogul engine for use on the Port Stanley road for the heavy freight business from across the lake.

The adjourned county court sittings will open on the 18th inst., when the much expected case, Austin vs. Austin, an action to recover alleged arrears of rent, will be tried.

Herbert Bennett, who has been unable to fulfill his duties in George S. Heyward's store for the past week, is much improved in health and will resume his work to-morrow.

At the meeting of Chatham Lodge No. 29, I. O. O. F., Tuesday evening, there was one initiation, two second degrees and two third degrees conferred. The lodge also contributed \$10 to the India fund.

Painters are being relieved of lead poisoning by the Turkish Baths.

Amongst the names of the graduates of Knox College, Toronto, appearing in yesterday's Mail-Enterprise is that of Geo. Kendell, of Chatham.

The Rev. Mr. Kendell's many friends in this city join in congratulating him on his success.

The blimy spring has come, but you have not yet got your Spring hat. We have some beauties, both stiff and floppy, for your inspection at \$1.50, \$2, \$2.50 and \$3. See window for styles and prices. The 2 T's.

"Just 14 years ago to-day, on April 6th, 1886," said Mr. Scott, "there was over a foot of snow on the ground. The next day it came out warm, like it is to-day, and the snow disappeared as if by magic."

The Tennis Club will hold its general annual meeting on Tuesday evening next at the Gruner House, when re-organization for the ensuing season will take place. A full attendance is requested.

The board of water commissioners have instructed their secretary to notify the proprietor of the Schoonith brewery that they will allow that industry the minimum rate for steam users.

The customs receipts at the out port of Ridgetown for Jan., Feb. and March, 1900, were \$1,556.56, as compared with \$720.63, in 1899. The business apparently is increasing. The increase is largely on goods imported from Great Britain.

Furnished rooms to rent, suitable for students and others—use of cook-stove if required. A good organ for sale or exchange for a Stewarts hand organ in good condition, part cash—Apply second house from Separate School, on Cross St.—No. 7.

Yesterday Judge Houston received a communication from the Minister of Justice asking for a report on the case of "Scotty" McEneaney, now confined in Kingston penitentiary. Scotty has petitioned for his release and the department are considering the same.

Miss McLean's Mandolin and Guitar Club, which will play in the Opera House, under the auspices of the Guild of the Church of the Advent on April 19, consists of eight young ladies from Chatham, who have been most enthusiastically received wherever they have played.—Ridgetown Plain-dealer.

The Ridgetown football club organized Friday evening, and are now open for games with any like organization in the district. The officers are: R. W. Youngs, president; C. H. Gordon, president; Harry Lake, vice president; P. Ridley, secretary-treasurer; Dr. Gray, captain; Chas. Laek, W. Houston, and H. Beecher, managing committee.

HIS TEACHER SAID. "He thought he needed glasses" is becoming quite a familiar expression of parents who bring their children to me for examination. This is encouraging in that it shows the intellectual superiority of the present teacher to the "skule master" of fifty years ago. He would have sent the child home with the message, "He couldn't say his letters, better use the gad." The "dull pupil" is often the cause of weak eyes. Scientific examination free of charge. E. J. MacIntyre, leading optician.

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