

2 BATTALIONS MONTREAL MEN ARE BELIEVED GONE

Thousand of Them May Have Been Wiped Out by Gun Fire Before Surrender—Formed Rearguard in the Retreat Before Germans.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

OTTAWA, May 2.—Casualties of the Canadian overseas division in the fight at Ypres last week are now reasonably complete.

It is reported that 5,700 men, or more than a fourth of the 21,000 men in the division, were put out of action in the three days fighting. It is stated that 700 officers and men were killed, 2,000 missing and 3,000 wounded.

The 2,000 missing men are the 13th and 14th Battalions of Montreal Highlanders, each a thousand strong, which the Canadian official eye-witness reported left behind near the village of St. Julien.

"The German line" the eye-witness says "rolled over the deserted village, but for several hours after the enemy had become master of the village sullen and persistent rifle fire showed they were not yet master of the Canadian rearguard."

As Berlin reported a thousand Canadian prisoners it is feared that a thousand of this rearguard was wiped out before exhaustion of ammunition compelled them to surrender.

BRANTFORD AND WINGHAM MEN KILLED AT THE FRONT

Casualty List Contains Another Score of Names From Western Ontario Points — "Duffs" Hard Hit.

DEAD

Pte. Chas. Edwards, 11 Hazelton avenue, Brantford.

Pte. Edward Murch, died of gunshot wounds in head. Next of kin, W. H. Murch, Wingham.

WOUNDED

Pte. W. McDonald, 102 Drenay avenue (10th Battalion).

Corp. Thomas M. Moon, 1 Chester street, (Enlisted Montreal).

ARVA

William Blakeley.

BRANTFORD

Pte. John White, 145 Henry street.

Pte. Harry Holding, 15 Mount Pleasant street, (seriously injured).

Pte. R. Anthony, 15 Mount Pleasant street, (seriously injured).

Pte. A. Hamilton, 15 Mount Pleasant street, (seriously injured).

SEAFORTH

Pte. Harvey Dorrance (1st Battalion).

BLENHEIM

Pte. Alfred Dennington (1st Battalion).

PRESTON

Pte. Wm. Adams, Middle street.

PARIS

Pte. Napoleon Larin, Walnut street.

ST. THOMAS

Pte. George Johnson, 73 Kain street.

SOUTHAMPTON

Pte. Alex. Hawthorne, 71 Hughes street.

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Pte. Arthur Robinson, (8th Battalion).

ST. THOMAS

Pte. Alex. Spence McAuley, (8th Battalion), evergreen, fumes.

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Pte. Wm. Hastings, 62 Trinity street.

That the casualty lists from the Western Ontario districts continue heavy each day, and will probably grow heavier, was explained when the news from Ottawa last night that nearly 6,000 Canadians had been put out of action, and that 700 or 800 of these are killed.

Brantford and Wingham have received word that sons have been killed. More than a score of names have come in the lists, or in private messages, since Saturday, from this district.

Brantford has been particularly unfortunate again, while London, St. Thomas, Stratford, Paris, Seaford, Blenheim, Arva and Southampton are stricken.

D. R. Ross, of Embro, has fears for his two sons, Major R. B. Ross, of the 1st Battalion, and Lieut. James G. Ross, of the Montreal Royal Highlanders.

MESSAGE COMES TO STRATFORD MOTHER.

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STRATFORD, May 2.—A private message to Mrs. E. Hastings, 62 Trinity street, today informed her that her son, Pte. Jas. Hastings, had been wounded in France. Pte. Hastings was born in Stratford and lived practically all his life here. He was a fisherman by trade and was 25 years of age.

BRANTFORD MAN DEAD; SIX MORE WOUNDED.

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BRANTFORD, May 2.—Word was received in the city tonight that Pte. Charles Edwards, of 11 Hazelton avenue, had been killed in action in France.

The list of Brantford's wounded continues to increase. On Saturday, no fewer than six who enlisted here were reported wounded, and today, besides the news of Edwards' death came word that Pte. Harry Holding has been wounded. All are first contingent volunteers. Saturday's list includes: Privates Anthony, Kirby, Hamilton, McCartney, Larin and Graham.

Charles Edwards was well-known in this city, being connected with the mission hall, and working for many years with the Cockburn Plow Company. His mother lives in London, Eng., but members of his family reside in this city. He was a member of the 26th Buffs Rifes.

Harry Holding is a son of John Holding, and was wounded in the Ypres attack. He was employed by the Massey-Harris Company and left with the first contingent of "Duffs."

With the exception of McCartney there are men here who have all seen service in Great Britain, and two of them are Scotchmen who have resided in the city for several years. Their relatives are waiting for news from the front.

Pte. Larin enlisted here, but lived in Paris.

Robert McCartney, 18 Mount Pleasant street, was seriously injured in the region of the stomach during operations at Langemark, in France. This information has been conveyed to his relatives in the city. McCartney was a member of the "Duffs," leaving with the first contingent.

TWO MORE ST. THOMAS MEN ARE WOUNDED.

ST. THOMAS, May 2.—Samuel J. Johnson, Michigan Central Railway en-

ATROCIOUS WITNESS

Belgian Refugee Saw Some Unarmed Men Shot Down.

HER FATHER MURDERED

Wounded Man Tells How King Takes Place in the Trenches.

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OTTAWA, May 2.—The first eye-witness story of German atrocities in Belgium to be heard in Canada was told here by Mme. Philomene Desmet Justin, who arrived tonight with a party of fourteen Belgian refugees.

Cardinal Mercier, head of the Catholic Church in Belgium, through Rev. Fr. Fleron, communicated with Rev. Archbishop McNeill, asking if he could assist them. They were met at the station by the Archbishop's representatives and will be looked after.

Mme. Justin spoke in French to an interpreter and she translated her story is one of thrilling tragedy. She is the wife of a wounded Belgian soldier and the daughter of a Belgian merchant, who was murdered by the Germans.

Unarmed Men Shot Down. Little sons at their home in the village of Aerschot, when the Germans took possession they assembled some 150 women and children in her father's garden, herded the unarmed men together and bayoneted and shot them down before their eyes.

"Madame states," said the interpreter, "that the men were absolutely unarmed and had not in any way interfered with the German official."

She further stated that, with the exception of the housekeeper, for the priest, the women and children were not attacked, but her father was slain before her eyes. The cure of the village, Father Verbeke, who protested against the brutality, was tied by ropes to a tree and left to starve for a day and a half, when he was shot and thrown into a well, and his housekeeper, who sought to go to his aid with old bread, was instantly shot and her body also thrown into the well.

The gratitude and admiration of these Belgians for the British is affecting. The women and children were mistreated, Belgian and British alike, and the men, dressed in their military uniforms, were pinned there with little cold-point of their gallant young king.

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Pte. Reginald James Clark, Exmouth, Eng.

Pte. Frederick Taylor (formerly 8th Battalion), Bexhill-on-Sea, Sussex, Eng.

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Sergt. Frederick Osborne, No. 128 Langley avenue, Toronto.

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Lieut. W. D. P. Jarvis, No. 34 Prince Arthur avenue, Toronto.

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Pte. George Paprosky, No. 65 Niagara street, Toronto.

Corp. Edward Ryan, 115 Margaret street, Toronto.

Pte. Davis John Shier, No. 152 Booth avenue, Toronto.

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CORP. T. H. MOON, OF LONDON.

CANADIAN CASUALTY LIST

OTTAWA, May 3.—The following casualties were announced by the Military Department this morning:

SECOND CANADIAN INFANTRY BRIGADE, HEADQUARTERS, Seriously Wounded—Corp. Baruck Arthur Waddy, Liverpool, Eng.

FIRST BATTALION.

Wounded—Pte. Charles J. Felstead, Edmonton, Middlesex, Eng.

Pte. Mark Lilley, Charing Heath, Kent, Eng.

Pte. Leonard Perry, Dalesford, Worcester, Eng.

Pte. Harry Marks, No. 5 DIsraeli Hyde Park, London, Eng.

Wounded—Pte. Arthur L. Dean, Cynil Top, Netherbury, Berks, Eng.

Pte. John Edmund Perry Watts (formerly 8th Battalion), Summerland road, London, Eng.

Pte. Arthur W. Gray (formerly 9th Battalion), London, Eng.

Pte. John Charlesworth, 10 F. Garwood, London W., Eng.

Lance Corp. Mark Bignell Brown, Stratford, Bucks, Eng. (seriously).

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Pte. John Neil Marshall, Walkieburg, Man.

Pte. Alec Lawrence Sanders, formerly 5th Battalion, Alice street, Kingston, Ont.

Pte. Lawrence E. Brown, No. 435 Victor street, Winnipeg.

Missing—Capt. George William Northwood, West Seaside Boulevard, Long Beach, Cal.

Seriously Ill—Pte. Alexander S. Kirkwood, No. 130 Annetta street, Toronto, (Fumes).

Wounded—Sergt. Thomas Nicholson, Bushall, Beacon, Tunbridge Wells, Kent, Eng.

Pte. Percy George Savage, Folkestone, Kent, Eng.

Pte. William John Mason, No. 3 Ailiff street, New Kent road, London, S. E. Eng.

Pte. Robert Dudley Boyle, Durham, Eng.

Pte. William G. Davies, No. 66 Windsor road, Penarth, S. W. Eng.

Death—Pte. Wilfrid Harrison, No. 32 Milner street, Ottawa, Ont., at Royal Victoria Hospital, Netley, April 29, from tetanus, following gunshot in arm.