

LIFE AND EXPLOITS OF "CANADIAN SCOTTISH"

GRAPHIC STORIES OF BIG DAYS IN CANADA'S HIGHLAND BRIGADE

The Men Who Captured All Hearts at Valcartier and Proved Themselves Splendid Soldiers When the Test Came — Their Work at Ypres.

AN IMPRESSION AFTER THE VICTORY

(Reprinted from the "Aberdeen Free Press" of May 14, 1915.)

In my last article on the Canadian Scottish I tried to give some impression of how the 16th Battalion spent Christmas. Much has happened since, but let me pass from that raw, cold February morning, when in the darkness they marched out of Salisbury Plain on the last stage of the journey — let me pass to the night of April 22, when the order was given to stand to arms. It will be fresh in the memories of all who read the official report issued from the War Office, how two battalions, the 10th and the 16th, were ordered to attack the enemy occupying trenches south of a wood about three miles east of Ypres; how the enemy breaking through the Allied lines; and how, comparatively speaking, a handful of Canadians at great sacrifice put the enemy to flight, thus saving one of the most delicate situations in the great battle of Ypres. I say this is all fresh in the public mind, and it is needless to enlarge on the wide and far-reaching results. Sufficient to say had the enemy succeeded, there would have been lost many weary months of constant vigil. My object is rather, from an Aberdeenian to Aberdeenians, pay tribute to those nameless heroes of the Canadian Scottish, some of whom were sons of Bon-Accord.

One is apt, of course, with grief fresh upon us, to dwell too much on the pathetic side, and to miss altogether the lesson that this human sacrifice means. It is not so very long ago when Canada was accused of want of loyalty to the Motherland. There was a certain amount of truth in the accusation, fanned undoubtedly by the rejection of the Navy Bill. What happened then? When England declared war on Germany, the voices of the strife were hushed—England was at war—Canada was at war, and millions of dollars were voted for war purposes without a division. Men in all walks of life volunteered for service, and these were rushed in almost record time from all parts of the Dominion to the concentration camp in Eastern Canada. It only required the supreme test. What part then will this sacrifice of blood play in the knitting of the Dominion to the Homeland? With nations just as with individuals, when all goes well we are apt to drift. It is only when we share the burden of a great sorrow that we draw closer each to the other. The charge on the night of April 22 will do more for closer unity, devotion, and loyalty, than all the speeches ever penned or delivered. Canadian and English are now blood brothers. The roll of honor is heavy, but the fruits of sacrifice will be rich.

On the Monday after the fateful 22nd, I was taken with numerous others from the Base to reinforce the Battalion. And here was an ordeal. You were afraid almost to ask who were spared. Never shall I forget the look on the faces of the men who in providence came out unscathed. It was a look of distress mingled with pride—distress for their fallen comrades, pride when they remembered what they had accomplished. After the charge I spent five days and five nights in the support trenches, and there you have ample opportunity of seeing what manner of men make up the Canadian Scottish. You would naturally think that, after what they had endured, nothing could save them from nervous collapse. Nothing of the kind! Over all is the spirit of cheerfulness and pluck which never deserts them. As one fellow said to me, "This is no time for the pulling of long faces." The loss of their comrades and the endurance and memory of that never-to-be-forgotten night only stimulates for further effort. The tales of heroism I have listened to would fill a column—the wounded helping the wounded and dying; officers mortally wounded buying up the men to victory. To Colonel Leckie and that gallant band of officers under his command great tribute is due. When the time comes when deeds are recorded, their courage and bravery will be read with glowing satisfaction throughout the Empire. The fact that eighteen officers were either killed or wounded out of one battalion will bring home the magnitude of the struggle. But it was victory, and although we mourn as those who have no hope. The Dominion who sent them will send others like unto them. It was just the Canadian Scottish gift to the Empire.

Grateful praise is due also to Dr. Gillies and his staff for the untiring care of the wounded. Between three and four hundred received first-aid at their hands that night—an almost insurmountable task. The quickness with which the wounded were dispatched to the various hospitals reflects honor on those responsible for the ambulance work.

Looked at broadly, we deplore the sacrifice; but is it after all to be deplored? What is our life compared to the great heritage of freedom we shall leave to generations unborn. To the youngest of us it is only "as a watch in the night." In this terrible crisis there can only be one point of view—self-abandonment. Then will war and its horrors appear in an altered guise. And if, perchance, this article should be read by those who are still living in ignominious ease while their fellow-countrymen are fighting like Paladins and dying like heroes, let us trust it may move them to activity. The memory of those fallen heroes will some day shine as a reproach. The very existence of their country is at stake while they stay at home. Can't they see the vision? While I write this I have no copy of Henley's poems by me, but these lines, which I perhaps quote incorrectly, sometimes haunt me:

"What is that voice of strange command
That's calling you and calling me?
Calling, until you cannot stay,
Over the hills and far away,
Before this war is over every man
Eligible for the fight will have to abandon
his own petty concerns—he must
gird himself. Ultimate triumph will
be brought about by unbounded zeal and
the hard path of sacrifice.
And so, if I have in any way paid
tribute to the Canadian Scottish, it is
done in humility, admiration, and reverence,
and to the memory of those
brave fellows who have gone before
us in the battle.
Under the wide and starry sky,
Dig the grave and let me lie;
Glad did I live and gladly die,
And I laid me down with a will.

This be the verse you grave for me:
Here he lies where he longed to be;
Home is the sailor home from the sea,
And the hunter home from the hill.

IN MEMORIAM.
Ypres and Festubert, 1915.
You heard the call from far-off, distant lands—
The call to duty which you could not brook.
You saw the thorn-strewn path and where it lay.
The uphill way of noble sacrifice.
But now the long day's done—it's time for rest—
And you are gathered to The Distant Land.
No need to weep—the gain must surely be thine—
The Master's praise "Well done."
France, June 20, 1915. J. F. C.

Has Purchased Fine Car.
"The finest automobile in New Brunswick." This is the description given to The Standard of the new car which Percy W. Thomson has just purchased through Roy Davis. The car, a sixty horse power, seven passenger, is one of the 1916 model Locomobiles, with every modern device, and is catalogued at seventy-three hundred dollars. This is said to be the first car of the kind ever sold in St. John.

OBITUARY.
Mr. Dominique S. Leger.
Dominique S. Leger, aged 74 years, died at Lynn, Mass., Thursday. It is believed he was the first French teacher licensed for the province of New Brunswick. He studied at the Training School, which was then located in St. John. He is survived by his wife, Dominique, who was a Miss Gaudin of Dover, by whom he leaves two children. Mr. Jos. Leger, of Sheldiac, is a surviving brother, and Mrs. Philip P. Leger, of Lewis street, Moncton, is a sister.

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Paris, Sept. 3.—The French ministry of marine gave out today a note outlining the operations of the naval aeroplane squadron since the opening of hostilities.

"The marine aviation service has made continual progress, showing marked development from day to day," the note says.

"It has operated not only in France but in Egypt, where it aided in the defense of the Suez Canal, on the Syrian coast, where it aided effectively the blockade operations and in the Adriatic, taking active part in actions in the Gulf of Trieste."

In the north of France our aeroplanes kept watch over the shore and seas. Their particular objective has been destruction of the enemy's submarines; also bombardment of the enemy's commissary bases at Bruges, Zeebrugge and Ostend, and apprehension or destruction of Zeppelins.

"Last week, notwithstanding heavy artillery fire and the glare of rockets, our aviators dropped during the night more than three hundred 90-millimeter bombs on German naval bases along the Belgian coast, besides taking an effective part in the bombardment of the coastal forest on August 23. All the machines returned although several of them were damaged severely."

"In Egypt and Syria and at Venice our hydro-aeroplanes have shown great activity. Engagements occurred recently with Austrian hydro-aeroplanes, which were put to flight. One of them was pursued as far as Pola by a French machine."

WEDDINGS.

MacAllister-Matchett. — At Redbank, Sept. 1, by Rev. J. F. McCurdy, B. A., Miss Octavia E. Matchett was married to Hubert F. MacAllister. The ceremony took place at the Manse, the young people were unattended.

At Redbank last night the Presbyterian people of Redbank and Whitteville held a band concert, supper and social in aid of the Manse building fund, realizing \$200. About \$5,000 has been collected during the last three years—the pastorate of the Rev. J. F. McCurdy—for purposes other than ordinary, and the Manse property is now nearly all paid off.

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The auction will continue for six days and nights. Besides St. Andrew's rink, it is the belief of the executive that greater space will be necessary for the storage of the goods contributed, and because of this it has been decided to ask for the loan of the Queen's rink for the week. The goods will all be classified before sale and several auctioneers, four at least in the four corners of the rink, will be occupied simultaneously in the vending of their wares.

The co-operation of the river steamship companies has been secured and free transportation of the country produce expected will be had, while it is expected that the same arrangements will prevail on the railway lines. The L. C. R. have promised to carry the goods free provided the C. P. R. will do so, and the hope is expressed that the request will be granted. Encouraging reports concerning the preliminaries of the auction were reported at an enthusiastic meeting of the executive here yesterday.

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not later than Sept. 9th.
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When framing a picture it's a good plan to paste a piece of brown paper over the back to keep out the dust. If this is done by pasting the paper in the ordinary way, a lot of creases will be left, and the paper will not fit properly.
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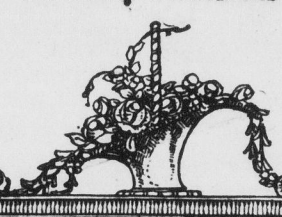
Thus, Celestia addressed Scilleter—the first human being she had ever seen. Heretofore, she had been attended by winged angels, who fell before her in worship, kissing her hands and calling her "Your Divinity." Heretofore, she had been accustomed to an atmosphere of a great open expanse, with rich, heavy-scented flowers in abundance all about her. But here was a man, and thus earth was first seen by

The Goddess

This week the Vitagraph pictures show Celestia's descent to earth—her meeting with Scilleter and with Tommy Barclay and bringing out those delicious moments where in her forest innocence, she says and does things that in our hypocrisy make us blush.

See the Vitagraph pictures at your favorite theatre

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