GERMANS RETREATED

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ment of the 16th battalion reached its allotted position, but after the advance of the remaining company of that regiment and the 14th, under very heavy shell fire, the proper direction was not maintained. The detachments reached part of their objective, but owing to the lack of covering fire, it was undesirable at the moment to make an attack on the orchard. The companies were told to dig themselves in and connect with the Wiltshire battalion on their right and the Coldstream Guards on their left. They had then gained 500 yards. Lieut-Col. Leckie sent up the other two companies of the 16th Canadian Scottish to assist in the digging and to relieve the original two companies at daybreak. During the night the companies of the 14th battalion, Royal Montreal Regiment,were also withdrawn and the trench occupied by these when taken over by stretching out the Coldstream Guards on one flank and the 16th Canadian Scottish on the other.

ORDERED TO ATTACK.

"On the morning of the 20th orders were issued for an attack on the orchard that night. A reconnaisance of the position was made by Major Leckie, brother of Lieut.-Col. Leckie, when patrols were sent out, one of which very neatly managed to escape, being cut off by the enemy, and another suffered a few casualties. This showed the Germans were in force and that an attack on the orchard would be no light work. That night, the Canadian Scottish occupied a deserted house close to the German lines and succeeded in establishing there two machine guns and garrison of thirty men. The enemy were evidently not aware that we were in possession of this house, for although they bombarded all the British trenches with great severity throughout the whole of the next day, this little garrison was left untouched. The attacking detachment under Major Rae, consisted of two companies of the Canadian Scottish, one commanded by Captain Morrison, the other by Major Peck. The attack was to take place at 7.45 p.m. and at the same time the 15th battalion, 48th Highlanders, were directed to make an assault of a position several hundred yards to the right. During that afternoon the orchard was very heavily bombarded by our artillery, with increasing severity up to the delivery of the attack. Promptly to the minute the guns ceased and the two companies climbed out of their trenches to advance.

MACHINE GUNS OPENED

"At the same instant the two machine guns situated in the advanced position opened fire on the enemy. As the advance was carried out in broad daylight, the movements were at once seen by the enemy, and immediately a torrent of machine gun, rifle fire, and shrapnel was directed upon our troops. Their steadiness and discipline were remarkable, and were greatly praised by the officers of the Coldstream Guards who were on our left. When they reached the edge of the orchard, an unexpected obstacle presented itself in the form of a deep ditch, and on the further side a wired hedge. Without hesitation, however, the men plunged through the ditch, in some places up to their necks in water, and made for some previously reconnoitered gaps in the hedge. Not many Germans had stayed in the orchard during the bombardment. The bulk of the garrison, according to usual German method under artillery fire, had evidently retreated to the support trenches in the rear. A few had been left behind to man a machine gun redoubt near to the centre of the orchard with the idea of holding up our advancing infantry till the enemy, withdrawn during the bombardment, could return in full strength. These machine guns retreated when the Canadians came.

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"On the far side of the orchard the Germans, following their system indicated above, came up to contest the position, but the onset of the Canadians forced them to beat a hasty retreat. Alhough double our numbers, they could not be induced to face a hand-to-hand fight.

"Three platoons cleared the orchard, while a fourth platoon advancing towards the north side were hampered by a very awkward ditch which forced them to make a wide detour so that they did not arrive in the orchard until its occupation was complete. The men dug themselves in on the far side of the orchad, where there was another wired ditch.

"The Germans could be heard in their trench about fifty yards away, chattering and talking to one another; the officers too were heard, giving commands, and apparently trying to force their men to attack. But nothing could persuade the German troops to expose themselves. One company did not go into the orchard, but pushed forward and occupied an abandoned German trench running in a southwesterly direction to prevent any flank counter attack being made by the enemy. They found themselves in a very exposed position and consequently suffered heavily. The casualties in proportion to the number employed in the attack were heavy for all engaged, but the position was a very important one, having twice repulsed assaults by other regiments.

RAPID ADVANCE

"Had our advance been less rapid, the enemy would, no doubt, have got back into this position and our task might have been impossible. They argued, as I have said, that any attack might be held up by the machine guns in the redoubt and in the fortified positions on the flank for long enough to enable them to return to the orchard after our bombardment had ceased and throw us back.

During these brilliant though costly operations of the Third Brigade, the Second Brigade had been very active against a fortified position a mile to the south, held by the enemy and known to our intelligence department as Bexhill. A British brigade had recently captured some trenches in the face of heavy fire from Bexhill, and on the night of the 19th the position won was taken over by the Second Canadian Brigade.

"On May 20th at 7.45 p.m., the Tenth Canadian Battalion, under Major Guthrie, who joined the battalion at Ypres as a lieutenant, after the regiment had lost most of its officers, made an attempt to secure Bexhill. This attempt was a failure, as no previous reconnaisance had been carried out, and the preliminary bombardment had been quite ineffective.

Moreover, our troops were in full view of the enemy when crossing a gap in the fire trench and as the only approach to Bexhill was through an old communicating trench, swept by machine guns, the leading men of the front company were all shot down, and the Tenth battalion retired. During the night a further reconnaisance of the enemy's position was carried out and the gap in the fire trench was repaired, which assured covered communications to all parts of our line.

"On the evening of May 21st an artillery bombardment opened under direction of Brigadier-General Burstall, and went on intermittently until 8.30, when the attack was launched.

"Our force consisted of the Grenadier company of the First Canadian Brigade and two companies of the Tenth Battalion. This attack was met by an overwhelming fire from Bexhill redoubt and our force on the left was practically annihilated by machine guns and against this steady stream no one could advance.

"On the right the attackers succeeded in reaching the enemy's trench line, running south from Bexhill and preceded by bombs, drove the enemy 400 paces down the trench and erectd a barricade to hold what they had won. During the night the enemy made several attempts to counter-attack and were easily repulsed.

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"Canada had good reason to be proud of her gunners that day. Several times during the same morning, the enemy tried to counter attack but each attempt was stamped out with artillery and machine gun fire. The captured trenches were held at great cost all day and the troops of the Second Canadian battalion, under Lt.-Col. Watson and the Royal Dragoons were sent in to take them over.

The total lost of the brigade amounted to 53 officers and 980 men

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MEDICAL EGAMINATION

Of Recruits for Overseas Battalions.
Military Headquarters 2nd Division,
Niagara-on-the-Lake, July 9th, 1915.

The following arrangements have been made in connection with the Medical examination of recruits for Overseas Battalions:

1. Volunteers will first be examined by the Medical Officers of Regiments supplying the quota.

2. Those passed as fit by them must be brought before the Medical Officer of the Overseas Battalion on the following day or at the earliest possible time, for examination for attestation.

3. Those accepted as fit by the Battalion Medical Officer need not be subjected to any further examination.

4. In case the Battalion Medical Officer is in doubt as to the fitness of any man who has been passed as fit by the Regimental Medical Officer, he will arrange for a conference with the Regimental Medical Officer concerned, and if, after such conference, the man is accepted no further examination will be required.

5. If, during such a conference, the Battalion Medical Officer is unable to agree with the Regimental Medical Officer as to the man's fitness he will arrange to have the man brought before a Board consisting of an Officer nominated by the A.D.M.S. of the Division, the Regimental Medical Officer concerned and himself, in which case the decision of the Board shall be regarded as final unless they wish to refer the case to the A.D.M.S. of the Division for final decision.

C. A. Warren, Major,
For Lt. Colonel.
A.D.M.S. 2nd Division.

NORRIS DENIES HOWDEN'S STORY

Winnipeg, July 13—Less than a week ago the Matners Royal Commission was forced to adjourn to the Royal Alexandra Hotel to take the evidence of Dr. W H. Montague. It was explained that the doctor was in such a dangerous condition of health that his examination at a public enquiry might result fatally. In view of the fact that Dr. Montague is badly mixed up in the Parliament Buildings scandal and Royal Comcission may not make a report for three weeks, the announcement that he is ordered to the front has caused great surprise in Winnipeg.

When the Perdue Royal Commission met this morning the Hon T. C. Norris, Premier of Manitoba, was called to the stand.

Mr. Norris made a complete denial of the story told to the commission last week by former Attorney-General James H. Howden. The Premier denied ever authorizing William Chambers to act for him in the saw-off He claimed to be ignorant of any such agreement as alleged by Howden. The testimony given this morning was to the effect that about April 26 Wm. Chambers asked him if he would consent to speak to Howden. Norris agreed to do so. Howden came over and sat down beside witness.

HOWDEN SAW NORRIS

The Royal Commission was sitting, and Howden said the commission seemed to him to be vindictive. He asked Norris what position the Liberals took.

"I said we did not wish to persecute anybody, but that the law must take its course," swore Mr. Norris.

Mr. Pitblado then questioned Mr Norris regarding the change of Government. Mr. Norris told of being called to Dr. Montague's room at the Royal Alexandra Hotel one Saturday afternoon when it was intimated to him by the doctor, that the Government was thinking of resigning.

GOVERNMENT RESIGNS

Mr Norris left the doctor, but shortly after the latter sent him word that Sir Rodmond Roblin wanted to see him at 8 o'clock that Saturday night. Mr. Norris went out to Sir Rodmond's home.

"Sir Rodmond was apparently alone," said Mr. Norris. "We talked of general affairs for a few minutes, then Sir Rodmond said: 'Norris, I am going to resign. How would you like to be Premier?' I said: "it's a little previous, isn't it? He said. 'It wouldn't be long, anyway I am going to recommend you to the Lieutent - Governor." I expressed the thought that he would remain in office and clear up the Parliament mess."

Roblin said: "I desire to quit. I'm going out of public life. I'm handing you over a bad job, Norris, and I am sorry to do it You can clear it up and I can't; we are discredited. We have decided to quit. Try and be ready by Wednesday."

Norris explained to Roblin that he would take time to form his Cabinet but that he would be back on Tuesday to give his decision. Roblin was very anxious and said: "I want you to try and be ready."

Saturday night Hudson told him of the negotiations with Phippen regarding the suspension of the Royal Commission and the institution of a civil suit against Kelly. On Monday night a Liberal caucus was held. On Tuesday Norris saw Roblin and told him he was ready to take office next day, but did not know if his Cabinet were ready. On Wednesday Roblin resigned and Norris was sworn in as Premier. Within the next week Kelly called on him and wanted a confidential talk. Norris told him there could be no confidential talks between them. that he must discuss those things with his colleagues.

This concluded Mr. Norris' direct examination, and C. P. Fullerton then cross-examined the Premier.

Fullerton questioned the Premier in relation to talks with Howden and Chambers.

Jas. H. Ashdown, a Winnipeg merchant. was called, and denied he knew anything of any suggested arrangement for calling off election petitions or of any money payment.

The commission adjourned until Friday morning, when counsel will present the argument.

KELLY WILL STAY AWAY.

Meantime His Counsel Will Launch Injunction Proceedings.

Winnipeg, July 13.—After paying a visit to Thomas Kelly at Shoreham, Detroit Lakes, Minn., Edward Anderson, K.C. counsel for the contractor, returned to Winnipeg yesterday morning and filed with the Court of King's Bench an application for an injunction to restrain the Mathers Commission from compelling Kelly to produce documents or give evidence before it. Mr. Anderson said this morning that his client will not return to Winnipeg, at least until after his application for an injunction has been the subject of a court decision.

The matter will come up before a judge of the Court of King's Bench on Wednesday, when preliminary arguments will be made. Kelly has a cottage at Detroit Lakes.

New Brunswick does not permit boys under 18 to drive autos in the province.

Halifax has lost hope of having a promised jitney bus service at any early date.

Capt. W. B. Prouse is forming an artillery unit of 200 men for Prince Edward Island.

The fine for smoking in the public market at St. John has been raised from $2 to $20.

Four blast furnaces are now in operation at the Dominion Steel plant at Sydney, N. S.

Social and Personal

The Courier is always pleased to use items of personal interest. Phone 276.

Mrs. T. Bridle of Toronto, is visiting in the city.

Mrs. (Dr.) Bell is visiting at Point Farm, Goderich.

Miss Irene Gilmartin is visiting friends in Woodstock.

Mrs. Lochead and Miss Ogilvie are holidaying in Muskoka

Mr. A. E. Watts, K.C., left this evening on a short trip to Winnipeg.

Miss L Ballachey is a guest of Mrs. S. F. Passmore at Port Dover.

Miss Ruby Crocock left to-day to spend her vacation in New York City.

Mr. Harold Preston, of the Expositor, will leave this evening for Winnipeg.

Miss Edythe Sanderson, Brant Ave., is holidaying for a few days in the country.

Miss Plewes, Chattanooga, is vsiting her sister, Mrs. W. L. Hughes, 41 Lorne Crescent.

Miss Lilian M. Wilson, 5 Sarah St., left the city for Atwood and Listowel, where she will spend her holidays.

Mrs. Buck and family motor to Goderich this week where they will spend a month at the Sunset hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. George Heyd and Miss Heyd motored to Goderich. They will spend some weeks at Point Farm there.

Mrs. F. W. Muenzen has returned to New York, after a pleasant visit with her mother, Mrs. Crocock, Palmerston Ave.

Miss Leone Clement, 66 Northumberland street, left for Niagara-on-the-Lake where she will spend a few weeks with friends.

Judge Hardy is in Berlin, acting as arbitrator in the Wilmot Street arbitration case and will not be home until Saturday.

St. Jude's Tennis Club held a most enjoyable Tennis Tea on Saturday at which the members entertained the visiting team from the Dufferin club, who proved themselves the winners in both singles and doubles. Through the hospitality of Miss M. Loney, 208 Nelson street, refreshments were served on the lawn and a delightful time was spent by all.

Obituary

MRS. JAMES FAIR

The funeral took place from her brother-in-law's, Mr. Albert Fair, No. 13 Brighton Row, at two o'clock on Monday afternoon.

Rev. Mr. Brown of the First Baptist church officiated at the house and grave. The flower bearers were nephews and nieces, and the pallbearers were brother-in-laws: Mr. Bert Fair, Mr. Mulligan of this city, Mr. E. McKeen, of Springvale; Mr. G. W. Cox, of Burtch; Mr. William Shellar, of Scotland and Mr. H. A. Robbins of Hamilton.

The flowers were as follows:pillow, husband; anchor, Mr. and Mrs. Robbins of Hamilton; Mr. and Mrs. E. McKeen of Springvale, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Cox of Burtch; wreath Mr. A. Sowers, of Scotland; Sprays, Family, father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. W. Fair, Mr. and Mrs W. Shellard, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Crandall, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Allan, of Hamilton; bouqet nephews and nieces.

Mrs. Fair left to mourn her loss besides a sorrowing husband, father and mother and five brothers of Scotland and a sister Mrs. A. Mulligan of this city.

Remnant of Bomb Was Picked Up

Halifax, N.S. July 13—It has now transpired that Captain Claret, of the steamer, Minnehaha, discovered undoubtable evidence that the explosion on his ship last week was due to a bomb While going over the burned portion of hold No. 4 a member of the crew of the Minnehaha discovered a curiously shaped piece of iron that weighed about five pounds The iron looked as if it had been subjected to a tremendous pressure and an intense heat. Powder could be seen fused in the mass of iron. There was no doubt in the minds of those who saw this misshapen piece of iron that this was the long-sought evidence that a bomb had been the cause of the explosion and fire.

For some reason the discovery was kept secret, and it did not become generally known until late this morning, many hours after the Minnehah had resumed her interrupted voyage to England.

Captain Neal Hall, port warden, who made an examination of the Minnehaha, said this morning that the loss from fire would run into thousands of dollars.

NOTHING FOUND.

By Special Wire to the Courier.

Liverpool, July 13.—The American Line Steamer Philadelphia, which arrived here from New York, Sunday received a wireless warning during the voyage that there were infernal machines on board. All the passengers and their luggage were carefully searched, but no explosives were found.

Edward Fearrow, Kent County farmer, died while building a fence at Main River, N. B.

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White Huck Towels, large size, regular 40c., Sale Price 25c

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Music and Drama

BRANT THEATRE.

One of the nicest little shows of the season is at the Brant the first half of this week and should draw capacity crowds for the remainder of the run. A highly diverting detective photo-drama 'Old Man McIsaac's Diamonds' is particularly good, while the vaudeville has not been surpassed this year. Brinkman and Tatum in a song and dance act are genuine artists and get every number "across" in good style. The Ramsey sisters give a splendid musical act, particularly where one of the girls puts the soft pedal on the sleigh bells in "The Tulip and the Rose" and "I'm on my way to Dublin Bay."

They interspersed good original comedy dialogue between times. Torcat's Roosters are a genuine novelty, particularly the Jess Willard-Johnson fight. The bill closes with a further instalment of the powerful drama, "Who Pays," which photo-play increases in popularity as it goes along and now is anxiously awaited every week by hundreds of the Brant patrons.

Women's Institute

The Burtch Women's Institute met at the home of Mrs. Williard Poss, on the afternoon of June 29th. The meeting opened by singing 'Blest be the tie that binds. The roll call answered, followed by a few hints from Mrs. James Minshall on improving our Institute work, which our delegate, Mrs. Winters, will take up fully. Mrs. Robinson rendered a splendid recitation also Mrs. H. McIntyre an interesting reading. Mrs. Wilson Campbell gave a helpful address on "Home Decorating." After a discussion, the meeting closed by singing the National Anthem, after which the hostess served dainty refreshments. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Earl Burtch. The program will be in the hands of Mrs. Emmerson Campbell and Mrs. Williard Poss.

ELM AVE. METHODIST CHURCH

Mr. Norval Luck, a Victoria College student, had charge of the Sunday evening service in Elm Ave. church. Taking for his discourse Paul's letter to Timothy, Mr. Luck pleased the congregation by his masterful delivery of God's work.

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