

THE LESSON LEARNT BY FRANCE IN 1870

Does Not Use Her Cavalry Indiscriminately Now, While Germany is Very Reckless.

Major Darnley Stuart-Stephens, prompted by the news of the engagement in which British cavalry figured prominently, recalls in the "Daily Despatch" some famous cavalry charges. Reports that have reached London through semi-official channels (the Belgian between a brigade of British cavalry with a similar force of the enemy's mounted arm, the British horsemen "rode down" the Kaiser's troopers, and had all the best of the fight.

It will probably be found when the details of this satisfactory encounter are revealed that our regiments engaged were heavy cavalry.

"The Thunder Ride"
From what has transpired up to the present respecting the conduct of the German cavalry when opposed to the French mounted troops, it would appear that the former are scarcely living up to the traditions of Mars-la-Tour. That was the memorable occasion, it may be recalled, when at the commencement of the series of Gravelotte battles, General von Bredow's brigade charged the head of a French column of infantry, penetrated right through a brigade of French cavalry and by doing so led to a complete dislocation of a French movement which was in progress, and had for its object the detention of a German army marching with the Prussian King's group of army corps. This exploit is known in military history as "The Thunder Ride," and was effected at a greater cost than that suffered by the Light Brigade at Balaclava.

French Have Learnt Their Lesson
In that same war the superb heavy cavalry of the French was uselessly sacrificed at Reichshufen, and again on that terrible day of Sedan, the French cavalry consisting of a complete division under General Marguerite, was hurled on an unbroken line of German infantry, supported by 8 batteries of field artillery, with the result that this huge force of horse—a fiery wave of Gallic valor—was

practically destroyed. Barely had the charge been sounded when the general commanding the division was killed and his place was taken by the famous general, the Marquis de Gallifet.

German Recklessness
In the "terrible year" (1870) German cavalry showed many object lessons in the effective use of that arm while our friends the French made a terrible hash of things when their cavalry came into action.

At the moment of contact between the two armies the French cavalry have been used with prudence. The French generals have not been tempted to throw away unnecessarily a horse or his rider, while on every occasion, as shown by what news has reached us, German cavalry have been used with the most wanton recklessness. And, as I have pointed out, when the English mounted troops come in number of distinctly unpleasant surprises, one of which appears to have already taken place.

It is a comforting feature of the present situation that our English cavalry force is largely in excess of the standard proportion of the arm, that would form part of the expeditionary army. Two of the three French army corps are weak in this arm owing to certain reasons which I cannot at present divulge. And I believe the general officers of these two bodies of the French extreme left are freely borrowing our squadrons.

Irish Horses Bought by Enemy
A vast number of Irish mounts were purchased, irrespective of price, by the spring, by German agents. These horses have been reserved for the cavalry regiments which are attached to the headquarters staff of the Kaiser. If these horses had been carrying the dragoons who were ridden over a few hours ago there might have been a different story to tell.

From what I hear from French officers at the front the German horse

flesh of the Liege army of invasion has been ridden to a standstill. Of course, there is an extraordinary difference in the conditions under which the French and English cavalry are living and that of the enemy. The German cavalry have been brought from the remote interior of Germany.

Owing to the tremendous congestion of the railway system the troops proceeded at a slow pace. When the cavalry were detained at Havelot, horses and men were in the reverse of good form. Ever since they have been operating in an unfriendly country, where the exasperated population have destroyed every ounce of fodder.

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manders when half of the Hapsburg Emperor's legions were committed to that most perilous manoeuvre, a flank march at short distance across the enemy's territory. Directly the movement commenced Napoleon took a big pinch of snuff, made a mighty flourish with his handkerchief, and remarked to the chief of his personal staff, "Now I have them."

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In this respect it may also be remembered that Napoleon selected his marshals for their long noses. The climax of stupidity was attained at Austerlitz by the Austrian com-

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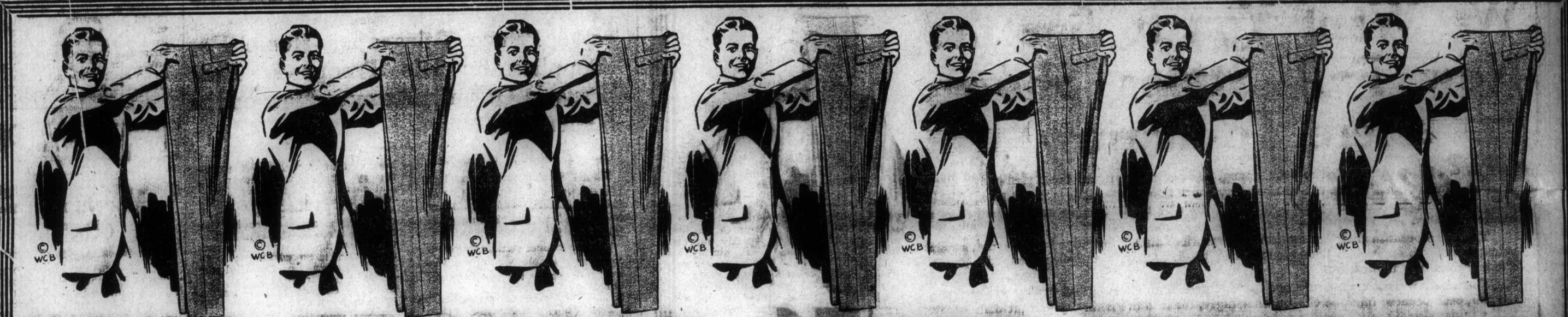
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