

## THE CANADIANS AT YPRES

(April 22-24, 1915).

*To the memory of George William Stoirs.*

They did all men could do. The smoke of hell  
Caught at their throats, but could not force  
them back.

The grey-coat foe charged hotly in the track  
Swept by his iron hurricane of shell,  
Resolved to win the sea-gate. None may tell  
The force he pour'd, attack on mad attack,  
On our brave few, as in the direst lack.  
Of every aid, three days they fought,—and fell.

But they endured. They held their blood-soaked  
ground.

Between the sea-gate and the desperate foe.  
Their thin, worn lines were adamant bars.  
Therefore their names with honor shall be  
crown'd

In their dear land's fair story, not with woe,  
And in the record, they shall shine like stars.