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HEAVY FIGHTING AT PAARDSBERG.

Lord Roberts has Cronje Surrounded There and is Trying to Shell Him Out.

the British Losses Very Severe—Forty-nine Officers, Including Two Generals, Killed and Wounded—This Probably Represents a Loss of 800 Men—Why is Buller Allowing Joubert to Escape?

London, Feb. 22.—A special correspondent of the Cape Argus says:—Gen. Cronje is surrounded at Paardeberg Drift, but is offering a stubborn resistance. The British are shelling the Boers vigorously, and expect to capture the whole force. Another report says General Cronje has been given a time limit in which to surrender and the war office is waiting until it expires to make announcements.

London, Thursday, Feb. 22, 4 a.m.—Lord Roberts' list of 49 killed and wounded officers, including two generals, in the engagements on Sunday evening causes anxiety, especially as in the officers' list neither the losses of the Welsh and Essex Regiments nor those of the mounted infantry are included. This is about the number that fell at Colenso, where the non-commissioned officers and men brought the total loss to 800. It is considered strange that, when sending his casualties, Lord Roberts gives no information as to the result of the fighting. If he has sent such a report the war office is withholding it. Moreover, nothing is known as to what took place Monday, Tuesday and yesterday. This absence of details from Lord Roberts' despatches contrasted with his rather full narratives during the first part of his operations.

PRODUCES UNEASINESS. Among military observers. All the comment in the morning newspapers, both editorial and critical, is threaded with the disturbing suggestion that despite hard fighting, Gen. Cronje has been able to beat off his pursuers, escaped, and been reinforced by rail from Ladysmith and by force on foot and horseback from Northern Cape Colony, as well as the late beleaguers of Kimberley. As the correspondents with Lord Roberts are silent, the telegrams from Boer sources receive some countenance. The latter aver that Gen. Cronje, while the British were endeavoring to surround him between Paardeberg and Koodoosrand, received reinforcements under Dewett and that together the Boer commanders fought the British to a standstill. However this may be, public opinion here will not be reassured until the war office issues explicit statements of successes, which, of course, would clear away the gathering doubts respecting the interrupted success of Lord Roberts' forward movement. No one doubts his ultimate success, but there is a fear of temporary disappointment and a lot of hard fighting is ahead of the British. The latest report from Gen. Buller, circulated in the house of commons last (Wednesday) night, was that an

agent of the De Beers Company had received a cablegram from Cape Town which must have passed the censor, to the effect that Gen. Barton's Fusiliers brigade had reached the hills commanding Ladysmith. Quite apart from this, however, and from every other rumor, the early relief of the beleaguered garrison is thought inevitable.

An incomplete list of the recent British casualties gives nine officers killed, 39 wounded and one missing.

FIGHTING AHEAD. Winston Churchill, in a despatch from Chieveley, dated Feb. 20, says he still expects heavy fighting before Ladysmith is relieved, and he again urges the imperative necessity of "pouring a continual stream of men, guns and supplies into the Cape. The correspondent declares that soldiers are wanted in South Africa and not at Aldershot. Meanwhile he sees "many encouraging signs that the Boers are wearying of the struggle."

Spencer Wilkinson, reviewing the military situation in the Morning Post, says:—"Sir Redvers Buller can hardly be expected to follow up the Boer army to or through the passes, but it is rather surprising that he should have allowed the Boers to make good their retreat from Natal with a desperate effort either to hold them fast or to convert their retreat into a rout. The net result will be the addition in a week's time of from 15,000 to 30,000 men to the Boer army confronting Lord Roberts. The latter probably has twenty thousand available at Paardeberg. A prolonged fight from Friday to Monday seems to argue something like a balance between Gen. Cronje's and Lord Roberts' forces. The question, therefore, is:—Which side is able to get the largest immediate reinforcements available to Lord Roberts are the divisions now at Natal; but it will take time to move them. Would that the eighth division were held ready at Cape Town instead of Aldershot. The purpose of the British Government is to crush the Boer army, and this purpose implies possession by its commander-in-chief of an assured and growing numerical superiority."

WAR NOT YET ENDED

The Cape Town correspondent of the Daily Mail says:—"It is of the very greatest importance that the British public should not be carried away by recent successes into a belief that the war is practically over. Nothing could be more fatal to a satisfactory prosecution of the war, and above all to the satisfactory settlement of the whole country after the war, than any relaxation of the military activity and stoppage of reinforcements and temporizing or bargaining with the Free State or the Transvaal through mistaken ideas of magnanimity towards an assumedly beaten foe. The highest authorities and the soundest opinion here say that the war has really only just begun in earnest. Indeed, they say that the real struggle will only begin when the present military operations end. I have the best reasons for asserting that an attempt is likely to be made by Boer supporters in the colony to force easy terms for the Free State, now or soon, by holding out a threat of a Dutch rising in the colony. Any idea of leaving the Free State its independence would be fatal to British interests. The British people must not be deceived themselves into thinking it is now only a walk-over. They have a most dangerous, subtle and powerful foe to deal with in more senses and ways than it would be politic to discuss publicly. There should be no halting in sending out troops. A quarter of a million of British troops will be none too many. The more we have and the sooner they are there, the quicker will be the end of the war, and the surer will be the settlement that is to mean justice to everyone, Dutch and British alike, and lasting peace and certain prosperity to South Africa."

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'T WAS A GREAT BATTLE In Which the Canadians Fell at Paardeberg—Our Casualties Number 91.

The revised list of Canadian losses in Sunday's battle on the Modder shows 25 killed, including one who died in hospital at Orange River, 57 wounded and nine missing. Of these nine, seven are known to have been captured by the Boers. These are Corbould, Wood, Warren, Padmore, Dorssoneus, Walsh and Drake. They fell out of the march through illness and were left at Waterfall drift, where they were taken by General Dewett's division. They are all easterners. The other two missing, who are also likely prisoners, are W. G. Adams, son of Sergt-Major Adams, of the London police force, and W. J. Burns, of the 26th Middlesex Battalion. Here is the revised list of killed, wounded and captured:

"A" COMPANY, WINNIPPEG.
Killed.
W. T. Scott (corporal), Manitoba.
A. Mandeville, Manitoba.
W. Jackson, Manitoba.
J. H. Somers, Manitoba.
J. Todd, Manitoba.

Wounded.
Capt. R. M. Arnold, Winnipeg.
A. C. Beach, Winnipeg.
H. E. Neibergall, Winnipeg.
A. O. Lohman, Winnipeg.
C. W. Duncoff, Winnipeg.
H. J. D. Andrews, Winnipeg.
R. Rixon, Winnipeg.
Smiles, Winnipeg.
C. C. Thompson, Winnipeg.
H. McKenzie, Manitoba.

"B" COMPANY, LONDON.
Killed.
J. A. Donegan, Chatham.
J. R. Smith, London.
G. White, Windsor.

Wounded.
J. C. Mason (Lieut.), Toronto.
F. C. Beers, Windsor.
Geo. B. Sippi (Sergt.), London.
L. Power, Royal Canadian Artillery.
Smith, Thamesford.
V. F. Marquette, Windsor.
A. E. Paddon, Windsor.
E. Baugh, from R. C. A.
G. Greene, London.
Chester D. McLaren, London.
J. B. Corley, Guelph.
I. Day, Thamesford.
A. H. Wheeler, London.
R. Kingswell, Royal Canadian Artillery.

Missing.
W. G. Adams, London.
W. J. Burns, Middlesex.

"C" COMPANY, TORONTO.
Killed.
J. H. Findlay, Simcoe.
W. T. Manion, Toronto.

Wounded.
W. M. Stewart, Toronto.
J. E. Fisher, Toronto.
James Kennedy, Toronto.
J. H. Sutton, Hamilton.
T. L. McGivern, Toronto.
S. M. Ward, Toronto.
R. H. McLaughlin, Toronto.

"D" COMPANY, OTTAWA.
Killed.
Z. Lewis, N.W. Mounted Police.
— Jackson, Haldimand.
O. T. Burns, Ottawa.

Wounded.
R. R. Thomson, Ottawa.
O. P. Clark, Ottawa.
A. Laird, Ottawa.
A. Macaulay, Ottawa.
F. Bradshaw, Belleville.
D. C. Coleman, Ottawa.
C. A. Gibson, Belleville.

"E" COMPANY, MONTREAL.
Killed.
P. Goodfellow, Montreal.
Lesler, civilian, Montreal.
G. Harris, civilian, Montreal.
A. McQueen, Royal Rifles, Quebec.

Wounded.
T. Moore, Montreal.
J. F. Gorman, Montreal.
A. P. Thomas, Montreal.
W. McIver, Montreal.
J. C. Shaw, Montreal.
A. J. Turco, Quebec.
G. E. Roberts, Montreal.
D. R. McGill, R. C. R. I.

"F" COMPANY, QUEBEC.
Killed.
— Brunswick, Quebec.
— Taylor, Quebec.
— McClary, Quebec.

Wounded.
W. Hunter, St. John, N. B.
J. A. Scott, Cumberland, N. S.
L. Larne, Quebec.
J. A. Hudson, Montreal.
P. McLaughlin, R. C. R. I.
P. E. Waye, Charlottetown, P. E. I.
B. Gifford, Aurora, Ont.
J. Johnson, St. John, N. B.

"H" COMPANY, HALIFAX.
Killed.
D. J. Ryan, Halifax.
J. F. Adams, Halifax.
R. McCallum, civilian, Halifax.
A. Robertson, Halifax.

Sick or Captured.
G. B. Gorbould, Toronto.
— Wood, Ottawa.
C. Warren, Quebec.
Pte. Padmore, Ottawa.
G. Dorssoneus, Montreal.
T. J. Walsh, Halifax.
J. Drake, Halifax.

Died at Orange River.
D. S. Moore, "B" Company, London.
THE LATE JOHN A. DONEGAN.
Pte. John A. Donegan was the third son of Patrick D. Donegan, of London. His father is locomotive foreman in the Canadian Pacific roundhouse. Pte. Donegan was born in the town of Perth, on Dec. 16, 1879; was educated in the schools of that district and in Smith's Falls, whither his father moved in subsequent years. Five years ago Mr. Donegan came to London, where John attended the separate school. At the examination for entrance to the Collegiate Institute he passed with the highest marks and obtained the gold medal. When 17 years of age, he left the institute and worked for one and a half years in a boot and shoe store. Afterwards he obtained a situation in the freight office of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in Chatham, where he was working when the order was received for the formation of the first contingent. He immediately gave up his position and went to London, and was among the first to enlist. Besides his mother and father, there are two older brothers, Alphonso and Edward, of the C. P. R. Freight offices of London and Chatham, respectively; two younger brothers and one little sister, who survive him.

ADD ANOTHER.
A war office dispatch includes Lieut. Paet among the wounded. This brings the total casualties up to 91. Captain Arnold is among the dangerously wounded.

It is estimated that the British losses at Paardeberg will number nearly 1,000 showing that the fight was almost as severe as that at Magersfontein.

The battle in which the Canadians were so severely cut up occurred near Paardeberg and the war office claims to have no details of it as yet.

In the Highland brigade 16 officers were wounded, including General Hector MacDonald; Major the Hon. H. E. Maidwell, of the Black Watch (Royal Highlanders), brother of Lord Farnham, and Lieut. Akers-Douglas, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, son of the Right Hon. Aretas Akers-Douglas, first commissioner of works. Besides Gen. Hector MacDonald, Major-General Knox was wounded, and Lieut. Col. Aldworth killed.

Other officers killed were Captains Wardlaw and Newbury, of the Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry; and Lieutenants McLure, of the Seaforth Highlanders; Courtenay, of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders; Sordet and Neave, of the Yorkshire Regiment and Bright and Ball-Aston, of the Oxford Light Infantry.

Then follows a list of wounded oficers, including Col. Bowers, of the Yorkshire Regiment; Col. Cartwright-Yorston, of the Black (Royal Highlanders); Captain H. M. Arnold (dangerously); and Lieuts. Paet, J. C. Mason (slightly), both of them Canadians.

IN THE COMMONS.
Ottawa, Feb. 22.—In the Commons yesterday both Sir Wilfrid Laurier and Sir Charles Tupper made touching reference to the Canadian losses. "I would suggest to my right honorable friend, said Sir Charles Tupper in conclusion, "that a message, reflecting the universal sympathy of this hour and of all the people of this country whom we represent, should be sent to Col. Otter as a solace to the wounded." (Cheers.)

Sir Wilfrid Laurier:—"I shall have much pleasure in preparing a telegram, and which I shall show to my honorable friend, in the terms he has suggested." (Prolonged cheers.)

MESSAGE TO COL. OTTER.
The following is a copy of the cable message sent by the Premier, at Sir Charles Tupper's suggestion, to Col. Otter to-night:—

"Ottawa, Feb. 21.—I desire to convey to you and your men the grateful thanks of the Government and Parliament of the Dominion for the gallantry displayed on the battlefield. Canada warmly appreciates the sacrifices made by her sons for the honor of the Empire. The wounded have our sympathy and our prayers for speedy recovery. Those who have given up their lives will ever be held in remembrance by a grateful people.— (Signed) WILFRID LAURIER."

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