

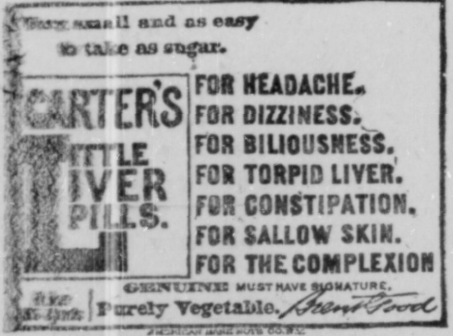
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### THE BATTLE OF PAARDEBERG.

Interesting Letters From two of the Islanders Participating.

The following letter from Nelson Brace, who was wounded in the fight which ended in the surrender of Cronje, will be read with interest. It is dated February 28th and addressed to his father, Mr. R. K. Brace:

I will not explain how the surrender of Cronje was brought about, as there are lots of correspondents here who have told you that long ago. The fight of Sunday the 18th, was a pretty warm affair. But I think the firing yesterday morning was far heavier than at any time on Sunday. Rollie Taylor was the only man of "G" Company killed in the first engagement, and McCreary, who was badly wounded, died next day. On Monday the 19th, I went out to help bury Rollie. I took his note book and letters from him, and as Fred Furze had his watch I gave them to him to take home to his father.

Yesterday morning about two o'clock, when we were advancing on the Boer trenches, I was on the right of G. Company. Alf Riggs was next me and Roy Harris next him. Suddenly there came a flash and a crash from the Boer trenches and we as suddenly fell on the ground. Alf Riggs was shot. He fell on my legs, and so close to Roy Harris that he bled over Roy's face and clothing. I think he died almost instantly as he never moved or spoke. There were four others killed in our company and twelve wounded, including myself. I was slightly wounded in the right leg. Don't think I am in any danger. The bullet did not penetrate far. The fire was terrible. We lay there about half an hour when the word was passed to retire on the trenches. Our rear rank men were digging about ten paces behind us. We took our time crawling back in snake fashion.

When day broke we found we were within twenty-five yards of the enemy. The Boers in the first trench sent in a flag of truce and said they wished to surrender although they had no orders to do so. About ten minutes afterwards the redoubtable and all his men submitted—and we took Cronje.

Jack Harris was wounded in the muscles of the arm. Fred Wave was more seriously wounded in the leg.

We do not know what is coming off next. But rumors say we are going back to the line of communication for a rest.

The following extracts are from a letter written by Neve Doiron, dated Troops Drift, February 28th:

I am going to write you a few of my experiences of war, experiences that I do not wish to see much more of. On February 17th we were quietly resting at Jacobdahl not expecting any sudden move. The previous day Jacobdahl had been the scene of a battle, but we were not in it. Suddenly, at six o'clock, we received orders to march. I was swimming at the time and hurried to join my company. At seven o'clock we were all ready. We made a meal on a pint of coffee and a biscuit. I intend to take a

biscuit home to show you how much we had when we ate only three in two days and a half. I was hungry enough to eat half a horse.

We marched all that night to Troup's Drift. A few shots could be heard, but we paid little attention to them. We were told we had no time to lose, and were marched into the field at seven o'clock without breakfast. We went about two hundred yards when the bullets began to fly above us; and you may be sure we did not feel very cheerful. We crossed a river by ropes. Then we lay on the ground all day. Later we advanced one hundred yards to the firing line. Here the bullets were flying about very lively. I dug a hole in the ground with my hands and bayonet and lay behind the little hill of clay. Then for a long steady watch for the heads that would sometimes peep over the edge of the dead-dealing trenches in front of us.

Half-past four came and we were still lying down. About this time Rollie Taylor was shot. At five o'clock the order to charge came, and we fixed bayonets. There was not an Island boy but was glad of the chance to get square with those in the trenches for our poor dead comrade. But we lost heavily and retired. Then began the dreadful work of attending to the dead, dying and wounded—and not a chance to protect yourself from the enemy's fire.

I arrived in camp at ten o'clock that night untouched. Most of us were very hungry, but the word was not a bite till morning. Nevertheless we killed a sheep and gloried in a few nice juicy roasts. Then we turned in for a sleep. Next morning we had a good breakfast, and enjoyed a day's rest. On Tuesday we were in another fight from six a.m. to eight p.m. Then came a few days of rest.

On the morning of Tuesday, the 27th, at two o'clock, we started out in inky darkness. We marched close together with fixed bayonets. Stealthily we approached to within 50 yards of the Boer trenches. An order came to advance still closer, and we got twenty-five yards nearer death. All at once a terrible fire opened upon us. In this volley Alf Riggs was hit. We fell flat on the ground, and stayed there till daylight. All this time the Boers could not see us. When it was sufficiently light for them to see the long and conquering line of British steel right at their trenches they gave up the struggle. The white flag was this time used sincerely; and the brave Cronje at last surrendered.

### Local and Other Items.

**MARRIAGE OF CHILDREN.**—The extraordinary thing in the marriage at East-onde, Mass., of a girl of thirteen to a boy of 15 is the approval of the parents of both of the children. They "see nothing extraordinary in the matter."

**HOSPITAL COLLECTORS.**—Collectors for the P. E. I. Hospital in town and country, who have not sent in their collections will kindly do so before the last of April. Subscriptions sent in after that date will not appear in this year's report.  
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**EASTER HOLIDAYS.**—The P. E. I. Railway issues excursion tickets on the 11th, 12th, 13th and 14th April, 1900, good to return on the 16th April, 1900. A special train is also to be run between Tignish and Charlottetown on the 14th April, and special cheap fares will be in force on all trains on that day. See hand bills.

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**INTERESTING TO STAR GAZERS.**—Star gazers may be interested in knowing that the planet Venus may be seen now at any time during the day if the sky is clear, this being the time of its greatest elongation, that is, its greatest distance from the sun. If one will find the new moon he will easily pick up Venus at the distance of two or three moon breadths behind.

**'T WAS ALWAYS THUS.**—The confession of the cashier of Rutland's wrecked bank doesn't differ materially from those of about all embezzlers. His misappropriation of the bank's funds began with a small loan to a friend, who was expected to make it good, and who failed to do so. Then came calls for further accommodation to recoup losses, which were presumably made in speculation, and so things went from bad to worse until the crash came.

**WOMEN'S COUNCIL.**—The President of our Local Council of Women would draw the attention of all members of affiliated societies who may not have been at their last monthly meeting, that irrespective of delegates they may share the benefit of the reduced railroad rates to the annual meeting of the National Council of Canadian Women to be held in Victoria, B. C., in July next upon application to Mrs. C. C. Gardiner, Queen Hotel, up to date, April 21st, and the degree of reduction will depend upon the number going. The Council wish to make this meeting more in the form of a conference and hope to arrange that the journey be made in a private car which may enable them to stop off at Port Arthur, Rat Portage, Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina, etc., for visits to Local Councils thereby greatly enhancing the pleasure of the trip.

### NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—Two of the Filipino chiefs, Morales and Gonzales, were lately hanged after trial by a United States military commission.

—The death of Villibois removes the fourth of the able commanders with which the South African Republics began the war.

—A remarkable fact that is attracting attention is that the majority of the affidavits made against the Dutch rebels in the subdued colonial districts were made by Dutchmen, who are very bitter against the rebel Dutch.

—It appears that General Olivier did not trek away to the north after all, and that his troops effected the capture of Colonel Broadwood's convoy and other little advantages. The British were misled and surprised this time.

—A few weeks ago, Sir Wilfrid Laurier told a deputation of the creditors of the Ville Marie Bank that Hon. Mr. Foster was to be blamed for their heavy losses. A few days ago, Hon. Mr. Fielding (Minister of Finance)—told the House of Commons that no blame whatever belonged to Mr. Foster—that Mr. Foster had done all that he could do under the circumstances!

—In the French Senate, a few days ago Count d'Aunay said that "A rupture between France and Great Britain would be a misfortune to civilization. All right thinking men should do what they can to prevent it. Mutual respect was the surest method of preventing such a rupture." This sentiment was reiterated by Mr. D. L. Casse, the French Minister of Foreign Affairs.

—After every little success of the Boers, involving the capture of prisoners, we hear reports of the capture of important papers, plans, etc., descriptive of the British plans for invading the Transvaal and Orange Free State. These reports serve to sharpen the fighting energy of the Burgers and Boers, and to strengthen the enmity of the people of Europe. But proof of their truth is still wanting in every case.

—A correspondent at the west writes the editor of The Guardian, and asks:—"Would you kindly inform your readers what kind of a Legislature is being held this year? Are we having despotic rule, has the Government another license bill under consideration, or was the Patriot wrong in its announcement, 'that the Legislature would be called together early in March.'?" But the editor of the independent but astute Guardian answers never a word!

—Contrary to statements published in England, neither the German nor any other Continental cabinet has been asked by Count Muravieff, the Russian Foreign Minister, to present a joint intervention note, although it is correct that Hungary has been sounding Austro-Hungary and Italy, her partners in the triple alliance, with reference to the intervention question. The reply in each instance has been unfavorable.

—It is remarked by the Montreal Gazette that "The Liberal leaders, who are not fond, now-a-days, of defining their policies, have managed, nevertheless, to place themselves on record against any attempt to secure for the farmers of Canada any preference in the British market, and have done much to make it difficult to obtain any preferential treatment in the United Kingdom. The Conservative leaders have declared themselves squarely in favor of obtaining such a preference. The question is of great importance to Canada now, and promises to become of vital importance in the near future."

—The annual report of the department of Indian affairs states that on the whole the prosperity enjoyed by the Indian population so decidedly preponderates as to make the dominant impression one of marked satisfaction. The friendly relations between the Indians and the Government was disturbed but once, when an Indian was shot at St. Regis while resisting arrest. Notice is given of the sympathy expressed by the Six Nation Indians on account of the South African war, and their offer to furnish a contingent of chiefs and warriors. Like offers were made by other Indians. The only unusual event of extended interests during the year, was the successful negotiation of a treaty with the Indians inhabiting the provisional district of Athabasca and parts of the adjoining country. While the general health of the Indians has been particularly good, where diseases have entrenched themselves they are very severe. Pulmonary troubles are prevalent. Although the Indians of the Island suffered more or less severely, fortunately the mortality was not excessive. There was an actual increase of population of 174. Prince Edward Island had an increase of one. The births numbered 2,437, and the deaths 2,513. Education among the Indians is receiving marked attention.

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