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歐美文學,小說居其大部.吾國稱小說家者,歐亦稱文學家如俄之托爾斯泰 Tolstoi,英之迪更斯 Dickens,法之毛苞桑 Maupassant,德之哥的 Goethe,美之馬克圖文 Mark Twain,一代文豪,均以小說著.其所抱之人生觀,雖各有所不同,而均以小說發抒懷抱,則一也.

夫良有民俗,國有國風讀其小觀,即所以觀其 俗而視其風故歐美學校假此以習文,社會讀之 以進智至炎夏林間,寒冬爐下,以及舟車旅行,莫 不手載一編以自娛焉

商務月

THE LIEUTENANT'S STORY

BY LIEUTENANT R. N. OF THE FRENCH ARMY

March 29. Hill 181,¹ in reserve.² Shelters deep underground. From the northern crest of this hill can be seen the whole system of trenches,⁵ both French and German, in the basis of Perthes. I posted myself⁴ with my field glass between two bare bushes; a maze of white lines,⁵ much twisted and tangled; from time to time⁶ rise blackish clouds. The ruins of Perthes become every day more mournful. I was driven from my post by shells.

^{1.} Hill 181, 譯文為"山一百八十一,"大約為法軍戰 築之一. 2. In reserve (rè-zērv'),後數及後備之意. 3. Trenches (trēnch'éz),歐戰中之戰壕掘地而成兵士居其中.

法 將 血 戰 記

三月二十九日。山一百八十一。後殿。深蔽地中。自山之北峯。 普塞斯一帶平原德法二軍之戰壕。列列在目。余於二叢樹間狹遠鏡而立。極目四望。但見白線交錯。零亂縱橫。黑烟自地斷續起。普塞斯之滿目荒涼。日甚一日。余為彈丸所促。立自瞭望處退。

^{4.} Posted (pōst'ĕd) myself, 立於. 5. A maze (māz) of white lines, 白線交錯. 6. From time to time, 斷續.

Every hour, exactly and methodically, two batteries fire their twelve shells. Forewarned, fore-armed. When the moment is past, there is nothing more to fear for one hour. Unfortunately, one of the lieutenants was killed by a shell that was so very unmindful of precedent as to seek him in his dugout.²

I had the honor³ to be shaved under fire.⁴ The barber of the company was busy relieving me of⁵ a two days' growth of beard when shells began to fall not far from us.
"Go on!" I cried; and though my barber's

^{1.} Unmindful (ŭn-mind'iul) of precedent (prës'ē-děnt), 不顧先例. 2. Seek him in his dugout (dǔg'out'),於其壤中居處寬之. 3. Honor (ŏn'ēr),榮事. 4. Under fire,敬火下.

每時中。 礮壘二架。 發彈十二。 時間毫釐不爽。 警告在先。 設備 亦在先。 不幸一彈竟忘先例。 直 入壕室中。 得旅長一而斃之。

是日余有於礮火下脩髭之 榮事。軍中待詔。正爲余去二 日間叢集之于思于思者。而 礮火忽至。彈丸落地處。密 邇余坐。余呼曰。勿止。待詔

^{5.} Relieving (rē-lēv'ing) me of, 爲余去 6. "Go on," 勿停勿止.

hand shook, he cut off neither my nose nor my ears.

I have discovered a stove with some stovepipe. The infirmary didn't want it, and simply threw it away, so I had it set up¹ in my dugout, where the air is decidedly chilly. With the pine boughs from the woods round about,² which my orderly³ stuffs in, it keeps me warm and enables me to make some good chocolate.⁴

It is cold. To-night we shall have to go to the first line⁵ to take planks and wire. But what a good cup of tea I shall have when I come back!

^{1.} Set up, 裝置. 2. Round about,四近. 3. Orderly (ór'-'ĕr-İÿ), 僕. 4. Chocolate (chŏk'ō-lāt), 椰子糖,四人喜食之.

之 手 雖 顫 動 不 已。竟未馴余之耳 鼻。

余偶得火鑪一。鑪管數枝。醫院不之欲。棄之如遺。余因攜置 張內。壕中空氣奇冷也。余僕自 四近林中。取松枝至。燃之爐中。 不特用以取煖。且使余得煑精 美之椰子糖也。

天時寒甚。今夕余等須至前 列集木板及鐵絲等。然歸時。香 茗一蓋。其樂又將何如。

^{5.} First line, 第一列之戰壕.

March 30. Last night a blizzard came down upon us. It was doubtless due to the violent displacement of air caused by the terrible bombardment that never for a moment ceases. I came in late—about three o'clock. We had to do a lot of trotting about; the communication trenches took up the snow, and were beginning to be muddy again. Oh, this abominable Champagne mud!

To-day we were bombarded even more than usual. Several men imprudently went to walk in full view of the enemy. 6 Naturally

^{1.} Due (dū) to, 因為. 2. Violent (vī/ō-lēnt) displacement (dīs-plās mēnt) of air, 空氣迅笼之劇烈,下層空氣為碳火所熱上升,上層之冷空氣下補其缺,而空氣之上升者遇合而結成響下降. 3. A lot of, 甚多. 4. Communication

三月三十日。昨夜大風雪降壕中。風雪之來。自因猛烈礮轟。 隆降不絕。致空氣之迎送劇烈。 故余入時已遲。夜三鐘矣。壕中 雪深没踝。余等不得不往來步 趨。交通壕亦積雪。頃刻間泥 葡載道矣。噫。!可憎之香 檳泥。!

今日 敵 礮 攻 我 愈 亟。數 卒 顢 預不解事。竟當 敵 人 之 前 游 行。

⁽kō-mū'ni-kā'shūn) trenches (trěnch'ez), 交通 壕. 5. Champagne (shǎm-pān'), 香 檳, 地 名, 法 軍當日 屯駐地. 6. In full view of the enemy (ĕn'ē-mȳ),當敵人之面.

shells came after them, so now the men are forbidden to go out of the shelters. I slept all the morning in front of my snoring little stove. Played cards this evening. I feel as if I were rapidly sinking to the level of the brute. For variety we go to the trenches to-night.

March 31. Our last days in Champagne. It seems we are to be laid off to recuperate⁴ and will change sectors⁵ afterward. One would say⁶ that before we go the authorities want us to become profoundly familiar with⁷ the landscape of this desolate region. We

^{1.} Snoring (snoring) little stove (stov), 發 烘 撰 之 火 爐 (文中譯意). 2. Sinking (sink'ing) to the level of the brute (brut), 鹽 入 畜 生 道. 3. For variety (vá-ri'ō-tÿ), 與 monotony (mō-nŏt'ō-nÿ), 對, 俗 語 之花 樣也 (文 中譯意).

敵彈續續指若輩而施。自後 兵率無准離蔭蔽處而外出者。 余晨間當熊熊之爐火而臥。夕 間與火伴作葉子戲。自覺日復 一日。 寖將淪入畜生道矣。今夕 余等被遣至前壕。亦所以解做 一日和尚撞一日鐘之誚也。

三月三十一日。余等駐香檳 之最後數日也。或余等將休息 調理。更易屯駐所。亦未可知。人 或且謂余等未行前。軍中長官 欲余等熟知此一片平蕪之景

^{4.} Laid off to recuperate (rē-kū'pēr-āt), 休息;調養. 5. Sectors (sĕk'tērz), 圓弧, 戰壕中兵士所居地之形. 6. One would say, 人或且謂. 7. To become familiar (fá-mīl'yār) with, 熱知.

are in the second line, and before us stretches the panorama1 of all the trenches we have held, beginning with Hill 181. The weather is clear. The snow did not last.2 We can see the woods, stripped bare by shells, as well as the whole labyrinth of trenches and communications; then the ruins of the stricken village4 of Perthes. With my glass I can make out the first trench I occupied. I recognize it from certain little details, but we have gone a long way ahead since then,6 more than a kilometer.

^{1.} Panorama (păn'ō-rā'mā), 全景. 2. Did not last, 不久上之意. 3. Stripped (stript) bare, 一掃而空(文中譯4. Stricken (strik'n) village (vil'āj), 憔悴村落. 5.

物。時余等在第二壕中。極目四 郊。則自山一百八十一始。凡余 等曾經光顧之戰壕。無不在望。 當日天氣清明。落雪亦不久卽 止、遠望則見一簇叢林。受礮火 ク X。寥 落 不 堪。星 羅 棋 布。 縱 橫 交錯者。壕溝也。荆棘銅駝。荒蕪 滿月者。憔悴枯槁之曹塞斯村 蒸 也。自 遠 鏡 瞭 望。亦 可 見 余 等 最先所居之戰壕。以其有一二 表記。易於識認也。遡自離彼 壕 後。吾 軍 已 前 行 逾 一 基 羅 邁當。

Certain (sēr'tīn) little details (dē-tālz'), 符號; 記識. 6. Since then, 自後(文中分譯).

Day comparatively calm. Nothing to do except be ready to sustain a possible attack. We sleep, read, or play cards. Boches are still bombarding Perthes and Hill 181. The big "marmites" send up into the night splendid luminous volcanoes,3 or else burst above the trenches in clouds that whirl off down the wind. The curious thing is that you see the explosion long before you hear it, and the hiss of the bomb⁴ sounds directly overhead at the very moment when it is bursting in the distance. I had to explain this phenomenon to my men, whose knowledge of acoustics is not very extended.5

^{1.} Boches, 法交稱匈奴日 Boches 即英文 Huns, 稱德人曰匈奴 謂其殘殺無人道也(譯文中釋波歇量譯音也). 2. Marmites, 毛毛子 (譯音·炸彈之名也). 3. Luminous(lū'mī-nǔs)volcanoes(vŏl-kā'nōz),

今日天氣尚佳。舍備敵之來 攻外。亦無所事事。余等有臥者。 有讀者。有作葉子戲者。婆歇輩 仍續續礮攻普塞斯及山一百 八十一不已。且碩之毛毛子。或 於夜間光騰雲霄。若火山之爆 發。或落濠旁。則黑霧四起。御風 而行。可怪者。則目見爆發時。遠 在 聞 其 聲 之 前。 炸 彈 之聲 掠 余 等頂而過時。已聞遠處爆裂矣。 余不得不爲余兵卒解此現象 ン縁由。因若輩聲光之學。固非 淵博也。

火山發光,炸裂之狀也. 4. Hiss of the bomb (bom or bum). 炸彈之嘶嘶聲. 5. Not very extended (ěks-těnd'ěd),不甚溫博.

I have just witnessed a magnificent and terrible sight—a German attack in close formation¹ crushed in less time than it takes to tell it.2 To the east, in the direction of Beauséjour, was an intense bombardment; then through my glass I could see gray masses³ emerge, gesticulating and densely crowded together. This attack was caught between two curtains of fire.4 The raging 75's hurled a curtain of fire in front of them, keeping them from advancing, and one behind them that made it impossible for them to get back to their trenches. They were wiped out to the very last man.6 There

^{1.} In close formation (för-mā/shǔn), 集合體. 2. In less time than it takes to tell it, 較講述此事費去之時更少,意譯. 3. Gray masses, 灰色軍士. 4. Between (bē-twēn') two

余得見一可驚可愕而又可 慘可歎之事。則殲德軍之集而 攻我者。速於吾今日之口述也。 時偏東指巴斯球之方。礮轟甚 烈。余自遠鏡瞭望。見灰色軍士 自濠出。口講指畫。肩摩轂擊。敵 軍腹背受敵。猛烈之七十五攻 其前。阻之使不得進。一軍自後 擊。使之不得還戰壕中。因盡殲

curtains (kûr'tinz) of fire, 腹背受火攻. 5. 75's, 炸彈名. 6. Wiped (wipt) out to the last man, 畫礦之.

was a mad dance in the air, of scattered limbs, mingled with clouds of dirt and smoke. The incredible part of it is that nothing was left on the ground, or next to nothing. It was as if the bodies of those men had been volatilized and made one with the air. We were transfixed with horror and filled with rapturous hope. May the fight in the open be not delayed! Our 75's will quickly give us victory.

Holy Thursday. Our aviators are floating gracefully about in the twilight—a twilight divinely calm. It is Holy Week. The

^{1.} Scattered (skat'erd) limbs (lims), 斯手折足. 2. Next to nothing (nuth'ing), 大於無有(意譯). 3. As if, 若. 4.

之。空中斷手折足。跳舞若狂。與煙磨合。最奇者。地面上絕無一物存。即不然亦近之。一若敵門蒸發太空中。與空氣合而爲一者。余等目擊其狀。慘不忍視。而無窮之希望。亦填塞胸中。野電子。!幸勿遲遲吾行。! 青少是逐門一百八十五」。終必與吾儕以最後之勝利也。

星期四聖日。朦朦中。吾軍飛艇。遊弋太空。萬籟無聲。悠然恬適。此聖星期也。余耳鼓

Made one with, 合而為一. 5. Holy Week, 聖星期: 宗教節日.

strains of the great Johann Sebastian¹ and of Parsifal² keep running through my head.

Orders have come. We are to be relieved this evening. We are going to recuperate and then, they say, to Alsace. I shall be so happy to have a chance to fight on the soil we have won back. This is our last day in Champagne. I am leaving without regret this desolate desert where I have known difficult hours and a few splendid moments. The thing that tried me most sorely was this mole-like existence, I who am always longing for large action and open and

^{1.} Johann Sebastian, 音樂家. 2. Parsifal, 大約為讚美詩之名. 3. Leaving(lēv'īng) without regret(rē-grčt'),無所戀戀. 4. Difficult (dif'ī-kŭlt) hours, 災難之時. 5. Tried me

中。隱隱聞西倍與及派西發之歌聲。

令至。余等今夕取代。休養調理。或謂不久卽往亞爾薩斯。余中心養養。因時機已至。使余得於吾軍重得之地。與敵搏戰也。今日爲留駐香檳之末日。余於此平沙無限之區。災難之日有於此平沙無限之區。災難己百有於數遇。而愉樂之時亦貴之。今日捨此他往。中心實無於日之。今日捨此他往。中也實點之於處如田鼠。余固日望野戰之

most sorely, 余所最難忍受者. 6. Longing (lŏng'ing) for, 前望.

intense fighting with an enemy who is before your eyes.

The Boches have been bombarding rather violently. That is to be expected since this is Holy Thursday.¹ But, in spite of² everything, there has been something religious in the calm of the elements³ these latter days. Nature is at her devotions.⁴ This evening is superb. Shells are bursting in great numbers, and the little church of Perthes totters as if it were about to fall. Through the loopholes comes the mew of spent bullets,⁵ but these noises disturb but little the heavenly serenity⁶ of the twilight.

^{1.} That is to be expected (ěks-pěkt'ed) Thursday (thárz'dā). 法人輕薄語因是日為休息日也. 2. In spite 动,雖有. 3. Calm(kām) of the elements(ël'ē-měntz), 萬物恬靜.

來。得與立於吾前之敵兵爲劇烈之肉薄也。

^{4.} At her devotions (dē-vo'shanz), 膜拜. 5. Spent bullets (bul'ētz), 已燃之子彈. 6. Heavenly (hev''n-ly) serenity (sē-ren'i-ty), 至清至淨.

Larks are singing, full-throated, a sublime pæan of life and joy. In the distance lie the dead, and the frightful mangled corpse of the village of Perthes.

[For a month the Lieutenant's diary records marches and more or less prolonged sojourns in various cantonments in the region of the Meuse: a calm existence, without many events of interest.² At the beginning of May, however, he was sent back to the front near Artois, on the eve of the great offensive.]

May 4. Once more we take up the life of war. We have been back in the trenches

¹ Full-throated (throt'ed), 引 吭. 2. Events (t-ventz') of

引吭高鳴。日若奏悠然愉樂之無上凱旋歌。遠望則死者相枕籍。普塞斯村中偏地橫尸。令人驚愕。

此後一日。中尉之日記。僅 記錄軍隊之進行。及在墨斯 一帶駐兵之久暫。平淡無奇。 鮮足觀者。然五月初在大進 攻之隔夕。中尉又奉軍令重至 前列。軍屯於阿脫斯附近。

五月四日。余等又入戰爭之生涯矣。自昨夕始。余等重入戰

^{&#}x27;nterest (in'ter-est), 趣事. 3. On the eve of, 隔夕.

since last night. We had nearly lost the wont of shot and shell, although we are managing to keep up a good face. But how different this is from Champagne! Here it is comfortable, almost to the point of luxury, and the sector is as calm as calm²—only a few isolated cannon shots now and then,³ just to let each other know we are here.

Two false alarms⁴ last night. A soldier thinks he hears suspicious noises, gets excited,⁵ and fires like mad. The panic goes churning down the line⁶ and raises a regular hurricane in its trail.

^{1.} To keep up a good face, 呈欣悦默 2. As calm (kam) calm (kam), 安靜之極. 3. Now and then, 偶爾. 4. False

豪。然余等雖勉呈欣欣狀。而於 荷鎗實彈之習慣。幾已忘却。此 問與香檳較。何啻霄壤。! 此間 舒適甚。幾可稱日奢華。居處安 靜已極。僅三數失羣之礮彈。偶 爾光臨。亦以令吾輩互警。使知 吾輩今日之在此也。

昨夕有虚警二。一卒似聞可 疑聲。因驚起。燃銷若狂。瞬息問 警報達壕之彼端。鎗聲陡起。若 風雷然。

⁽föls) alarm (ā-lärm'), 嚴 警. 5. Gets excited (čk-sīt'ēd), 鷙 皇. 6. Churning (chûrn'ing) down the line, 沿 壕 而 下.

In making the rounds, I went over the whole ground occupied by the company. From time to time a flash from my electrical lamp showed me the way through the deserted communication trenches. Every one was at his post. The enemy could come on if he wished. To tell the truth, not a single shell was sent our way. The Boches have never been less troublesome.

To-day it is raining, and I regret to see hat the soil of Artois gets muddy easily, too. Having nothing else to do, I asked an officer of the engineering corps for permission to go into the mine. He consented most willingly,

^{1.} In making the rounds, 巡 行 時. 2. Showed (shōd)

余巡行時。遍至本除所佔之 他。余手中電燈所發之光。導余 過交通壕內。視之関其無人。各 率無不守其位者。敵果欲之者 儘可來此。實則今夕之敵彈。無 一指吾方而來者。波歇輩從未 有若今夕之不取厭者。

今日雨。阿脱斯之土質亦易 積泥。可惜也。余閒暇無事。乃 求得工程隊某員之允許。往地 道遊。渠允余之行。且伴余至

ne the way, 導余以過. 3. Sent our way, 指吾方向來.

and went down with me into the gallery. It is solidly built, and supported by heavy planks, for the crumbling earth might easily stop up¹ this narrow space. I had to crawl on all fours² a long time before reaching the end, where the listening post³ was. Two men were on duty⁴ there, standing with their ears close to the wall, in the yellowish light of a single candle. We were under the German trench.

On listening carefully I made out⁵ a faint murmur of voices, very indistinct and muffled. I should not have objected to overhearing the conversation of those men, who

^{1.} Stop up, 填塞. 2. Crawl (kral) on all fours (forz), 蛇行; 匍匐行. 3. Listening (lǐs''n-ǐng) post, 聽柱; 聽機.

余屬垣細聽。聞人聲。喃喃低 細。模糊不可辨。余意偶聞若輩 之譚話。亦不爲非禮。若輩固不

^{4.} On duty, 守望. 5. Made out, 微聞.

were in all likelihood¹ to die before many days were spent. The large explosion chamber² of the mine is to be stuffed with cheddite,³ and, at the given moment, an electric spark will send that trench and its inhabitants on a journey through the air. It was n't at all pleasant⁴ down in that hole. The air was stifling, and I was glad enough, after another long crawl, to find myself in the open⁵ again, if the trench may be called the open.

In order to guard against gas-bombs we have been given horrible, nightmarish⁶ masks, goggles set in a kind of pig jowl or

^{1.} In all likelihood (lik-li'hood), 大約. 2. Explosion (eks-plo'zhān) chamber (chām'bēr), 爆發室. 3. Cheddite, 一種極烈之炸樂. 4. Not at all pleasant (plēz'ānt), 甚不

久於人世。數日間將就死地也。 地道之爆發室中。將滿儲以猛烈 之炸藥。至時電火一揮。則戰壕 及其中人物。將往濛濛中旅行 一遭。地道中甚不暢適。空氣惡 爭異常。余蛇行者又久之。 可稱為光天化日之邦。則 余甚喜出此羊腸道得復見天 日也。

軍中因防敵人毒氣彈之至。 故人得惡劣可憎之面具一。面 具之製如眼遮。裝於豬類形之

暢適. 5. Open, 見天日之地 (意譯). 6. Nightmarish (nīt'-mâr-īsh), 可怕之意.

snout made of rubber and containing a solution of ammonia. They make one look like a wild animal, and as soon as I got mine I put it on for the benefit of my poilus. They nearly laughed themselves into fits.

But life in general is calm, too calm even. I am reading Anna Karénina, which came by mail yesterday, and smoking endless pipes. The men make lots of aluminum rings. As soon as a shell lands they start out to look for the fuse, of which they fashion very artistic little rings. My soldiers have given me several. I am on nost friendly terms with them all. At odd

^{1. &}quot;Poilus,"法文,法 兵 之稱呼,此 處譯爲部下. 2. Into nts, 狂癲之病. 3. "Anna Karénina," 俄國小說托爾斯泰著. 4.

皮套內。中儲阿摩尼亞少許。 或此面具者。狀如野獸。余得一後。 即戴之以娛部下。若輩見余狀狂 笑幾顯。

然常日之生涯。頗形平淡。昨日郵使至。余得喀林尼娜一編讀之。餘時則鎭日吸煙斗而已。余部下卒相率製鋁戒無數以為樂。炸彈落地時。若輩競出外四覓引火管。得之則以製精美約指。余亦得若輩之贈數枚。余與部卒相得無間。有時余為若

On friendly (frend'ly) terms with, 相得無間.

times I have bought them little extras in the way of wine or sweets, and then I manage things so that they get their letters before any of the other sections. The letters come toward midnight, with the fatigue who brings rations.² I am always on hand,³ and along with my own correspondence, I take that of my men. It is the one great joy of the day, so why should it be deferred? To be sure. it is because I am so keen on letters myself that I like the men to share my pleasure. And if they have no light, they have permission to come to my dugout, which is always lighted. They insist on my taking

^{1.} Fatigue (fá-tēg'), 力人. 2. Ration (rā'shǔn or rǎsh'ǔn),

法使部下得家書在他隊先。書 信之來。均在子夜。給糧之力人。 亦於同時至。余每在彼守候。攜 部下及余私人之書信歸。羈旅 軍前。家書爲常日樂事之一。何 爲使之稽誤耶。實則余亦喜讀 家書。故使部卒同分甘樂也。部 卒或 缺 燈 火。則 余任若輩 至 余 之地穴中。因余室中常然燈也。 部卒或得佳品。則強余分肥

糧食. 3. On hand, 此處譯爲守候. 4. Keen on, 熱心;喜.

some of all their good things—candies, cigarettes, or what not¹—when a package comes.

But I can find a way to even things up.² think I have my men well in hand.³ I shall be able to do some good work with their when the time comes.

May 5. At noon returned to the firs line. After that the day was eventful. I was decided, by way of preparation for future offensives, to furnish the attacking section with red and white pennons, which were to serve as signals to the artillery, and mark the first French lines. By this means the artillery will not risk peppering its com-

^{1.} What not, 無論何物 (意譯). 2. To even things up, 相當之報酬. 3. Well in hand, 甘心服從(意譯). 4. By

少許。糖菓也。烟草也。莫不皆然。 然余能以相當之法以酬之。總 之余知部卒無不聽命甘爲效死 者。時機若至。當與若輩共圖戰 功。爲一軍光也。

五月五日。午時回至前列。午後軍事紛至。且定後此進攻之 設備。借衝鋒團以紅白二色之旗 幟。為後隊礮兵之表記。使知法 軍前列所在。不致於進攻時礮擊

way of, 為.

patriots in the course of an advance.1 Today the order came to raise the pennons over our first lines, so that our artillery can get the range of² the enemy's positions. At two o'clock therefore they were hoisted. The astonishment of the Boches was promptly made manifest³ by a whirlwind of bullets, which converted these common bits of cloth into glorious trophies. Then our artillery turned loose.4 It was our duty to observe the range and rectify it by telephone. One by one, with mathematical precision, big shells lighted on the German positions. There must be a formidable number of

^{1.} In the course (kōrz) of an advance (ǎd-vǎns'), 進行之時. 2. To get the range (rānj) of, 量度. 3. Was made manifest (mǎn'i-fēst), 更為顯明(意譯). 4. Turned (tūrnd)

本部之軍士也。軍中今日令下 前列均豎紅白旗。使礮隊得由 此量敵之遠近。午後二時紅白 旗飄揚空中。敵人見旗。彈丸如 旋風至。卽此可知其驚惶矣。然 旗製始不過粗布數方。今爲敵 彈所撕。則如戰利品之高飄空 中。吾軍礮隊。此時乃進攻。前 列軍之職。在測敵之遠近。自 電話告知後隊。此時吾軍礮彈。 陸續落於敵軍。精確若算術。 吾 軍 礮 架 之 數 必 甚 多。因

loose, 放開(意譯). 5. Formidable, (fôr'mī-dâ-b'l) number (nǔm'bēr), 甚多.

batteries, for without a moment's pause or cessation shells poured on the Boche trench for three full hours.

Meanwhile, very naturally, our friends across the way² began to get peevish and sent off a few blasts of little 77's,³ which afforded great satisfaction to the makers of rings. One could hear them coming very listinctly: first, the six reports of the battery, then a hiss, then a detonation, not very terrifying. I was in the middle of the trench with my eye glued to⁴ a periscope.⁵ Several shells landed near; one fell on a decaying

^{1.} Shells poured (pōrd) on, 彈丸陸續發. 2. Our friends (frendz) across the way, 對街之友人,指敵人也. 3. 77's,

三小時中。彈丸之落於波歇戰 濠者。縣延不絕。曾未有一分鐘 之間斷也。

當時對濠好友。亦無怪其悻悻然作不平鳴。若輩指吾軍施「七七數枚。用以製約指頗佳也。「七七七之來。耳聞甚晰。最先入耳鼓者為礮聲六響。 次聞嗤聲。 末乃聞爆裂聲。 亦不甚可懼。 余時立濠之中央。目貼於軍用之策視鏡。見數彈落處離吾軍甚近。一落於鐵網中一腐尸身。尸為

小炸彈. 4. Glued (glūd) to, 緊貼於. 5. Periscope (pěr'i-skōp), 戰壕中所用之瞭遠鏡.

corpse in the midst of the wire. 1 spreading about for several minutes the horrible heavy odor that reminded me of the night we buried the dead in Champagne. Another stupid shell chose to fall2 in the passage that led to my dugout. The bags of sand tumbled all about, and it took more half an hour's work before I could get into my quarters. My things were not at all maged. And yet at one moment the shells ned thick and fast; two or three fell on he parapet, blowing to bits several loopholes. The machine-gunners who were playing cards near their gun shut their dugout with a tent-

^{1.} Wire, 又名"barbed wire,"壕前所張之纖絲網,上附尖頂之短纖絲防敵之襲擊也。2. Chose (chōz) to fall,

所裂。腐臭之氣四散。若是者可 數分鐘。令余憶昔日屯香檳時 埋葬死尸之事也。又一不解事 之彈丸。擇通余室之徑道下落。 致沙袋四散。余清道 半時方得 入室。則見余之各物都無恙。有 時彈丸之來如暴風疾雨。落於 胸壁者二三枚。碎牆眼數處為 虀 粉。機 關 礮 手 之 於 架 旁 作 葉 子戲者。取蓬帳覆地穴之頂以

擇地而落. 3. Thick (thik) and fast (fast),成語,極多之意.

sheet. It is a thing I have often noticed; it proves that, after all, man is not so different from the ostrich. One has the illusion of being secure behind the most flimsy barrier, if only it keeps out the sight of the danger—a hedge, a plank, a tent-sheet. It is an insult to reason, but never mind. Brute instinct knows no reason.

So the sector that on our arrival seemed asleep has had a rude awakening. Everything points to a coming offensive. I cerainly hope we shall have a share in it.

May 6. Night calm. The Boches seemed non-existent. Our artillery quieted down.

^{1.} After all,到底. 2. Reason (rē'z'n), 與 instinct (ĭn'stǐnkt)

防彈丸之入。此事為余所數數見者。亦以徵人之於駝鳥相去無幾。胸存謬見。一若危險之來。 苟不入人目。則任何薄障。卽足以資保護者。籬笆木板篷帳皆可。是說似甚開罪於推理學。然無妨。動物之本能。固不知推理學為何物也。

吾營中當余等來時。若鼾鼾入睡者。今則驟有醒意矣。各事方面。均指有進攻而行。屆時余甚望余等之得與其盛也。

五月六日。夜靜無聲。波歇輩若不存在者。吾軍礮攻亦漸息。

對,一為由事推想其理,一為本能凡屬動物均有之也.

I was wakeful notwithstanding. The responsibility is too great. It is raining hard. There is water in the bottom of the trench, and it is impossible to move without taking a disagreeable foot-bath. The aviators, however, give sign of great activity. Since morning we have had the joy of watching several reconnaissances. The planes were hotly bombarded, but to no purpose.

Their flight must have been successful, for no sooner had they returned than our artillery set up a terrible spitting at the German trenches. It was not hurried, but was a slow, continuous, methodical fire which

Cives sign (sīn) of great (grāt) activity (ǎk-tǐv'i-tỹ), Reconnaissances (rē-kŏn'ā-sŏns-ĕz), 巡弋, 測量等 5. pianes (plānz), 飛艇. 4. Hotly bombarded (bŏm- or

然余之驚醒如故。以責任綦重 也。天雨甚。濠中泥濘載道。舉步 時不得冤濯足之苦。然航空家 將大忙。自清晨以後。余等已得 數見若輩之巡遊空中。敵軍仰擊 甚力。然卒無效。

飛行除之巡弋。效果必佳。因若輩回除未久。吾軍礮手卽猛攻敵濠也。然絕無忙急之態。從容不迫。續續指敵濠而施。敵之

bǔm-bārd'ed), 力攻. 5. To no purpose (pûr'pǔz), 無效. 6. No sooner than, 奥 as soon as 之意大致相同.

must have been very deadly.¹ From the second line we sent off the little winged bombs, the chouxfleurs² whose acquaintance we made³ in Champagne. They leap up, not very high, then hesitate an instant before they swoop down upon the Boches, exploding with a muffled thud⁴ which makes the ground tremble clear to our trench, while a spout of black smoke rises and floats a long time. In all the sectors where I have been, the superiority of our artillery becomes every day more evident.

After dinner the question was telephoned:
'What are the special points the different

^{1.} Must have been very deadly,必甚致死命(文譯意).
2. "Chouxfleurs,"法文,即英文之Cauliflower (ka'li-flou'er), 炸彈之美名也. 3. To make an acquaintance (ā-kwān'tǔns)

遭其殃者必夥。二列軍士。則贈 敵以有翅之總葉菜。余軍在 追則 齊 遊 之 總 葉菜。余軍 在 追 與 者 也。此類 炸彈。 此類 炸彈。 時 內 是 中。 不 過 高。 稍 息 片 自 自 管 裹 中 出 贵 是 免 。 善 異 數 人。 日 昭 昭 然 矣。

飯後軍中傳電話來。「設有進攻事各隊司令官欲職隊攻

with, 相 識 (譯意). 4. Muffled (mǔf'ld) thud, 不發巨聲之音.

section commanders would like to see battered by the artillery in case of a drive?'3 I asked for the collaboration of all my men. I had the corporals explain to them the signs by which they could recognize the machinegun positions: better defenses; loopholes bigger; bags of sand more numerous and more carefully arranged. I took my glass and observed minutely all the points of the German trench. I went to the listening post, and with the help of a much-perfected fieldglass periscope, which magnifies in addition to giving a view over the edge, I probed the German position. At the end of more

^{1.} Battered (băt'ērd) by the artillery (är-tǐl'ēr分), 為 數 營 衍 變. 2. In case of, 倘; 若. 3. Drive (drīv), 淮 攻. 4. In

何處」。余合部下共謀之。命伍長 示部卒以設機關礮之表記。餘 如增設防衞擴大墻眼添置沙 袋丼改良排列法等。皆議之。余 取瞭遠鏡細鏡敵藻各部。繼 趨聽機處。就改良之望遠瞭 視鏡(此鏡能擴大鏡中各象 又能自鏡邊遠視)外窺。乃全 得敵濠眞相。余就鏡探視

addition (ǎd·i'shún) to, 且; 又. 5. Giving a view over the edge (ěj), 自我是可外觀.

than an hour's work, utilizing the observations of my men, I was able to fix almost to a certainty¹ the positions of four machineguns. I marked on the plan of the trenches² that had been given us the exact points to be hammered, and the document was sent along the hierarchical paths³ and in due time reached the artillery.

Then we indulged in a little distraction. As the rain had ceased, I went to two of my best marksmen and proposed a match.⁴ It is very amusing to try one's skill in shooting. The objective point⁵ is a Boche loophole, that is to say, a piece of steel plate. If the

^{1.} Fix almost (al'most) to a certainty (ser'tin-ty), 微能確定 2. Plan (plan) of the trenches (trenchz), 藻圖. 3. Hier-

一時許。以余所得合部衆所見 者集其成。幾能確定敵軍機關 礮四尊所在。乃就軍中給發之 濠圖作記於欲攻之目的地。由 軍中秘道遞送於礮營。

事畢。余等乃設法取樂。時雨已止。余召部卒之最精於射擊者二人提議賭賽事。較鎗爲最有興味之游戲。余等之目的物。

archical (hī'ēr-ār'kī-kāl) paths (path), 軍用秘道. 4. Match (māch), 賭賽. 5. Objective (ŏb-jēk'tiv) point, 目的物.

balls touch, one hears a metallic ring and the hum of the ricochet. I made a good score, but I placed only nine balls out of ten, and was beaten by P., who got in all ten.¹ The prize was a package of cigarettes.

Everybody is in a good humor² to-day. There is a great buzz of conversation. Some f the men are playing checkers,³ others ards. One man, who is the happy recipient of an accordion, is favoring us⁴ with popular tunes⁵ which everybody catches up⁶ in chorus.⁷ Really, it is very festive. This evening we go to the second line, in the shelters. Three of the four companies of our

^{1.} Got in all ten, 十發十中. 2. In a good humor(hū'mēr), 3. Checkers (chěk'ērz), 西文彈棋之一種. 4. Fa-

ng (fā'vēr-ing) us, 此處譯爲爲余等彈, 謎語也. 5. Popular

彈丸中的。則聞鏗然金聲。及鋼片飛舞時之嘶嘶聲。余之目力頗不惡。然僅十中其九。為P君所敗。渠彈全中的。賽物為煙草一包。為P得之。

今日余軍中無不欣欣然者。 談話之聲營營然。有彈棋者。有 作葉子戲者。一卒為手琴之主 翁。為余等彈時調數支。羣衆和 歌之。其樂陶陶也。今夜余等還 二列有蔭蔽之濠中。吾軍共四

⁽pŏp'ti-lâr) tunes (tūnz), 時調. 6. Catches (kǎch'ēz) up, 和唱歌. 7. Chorus (kō'rŭs), 西歌之後中節.

battalion are on the firing line, the fourth is in reserve. It is our turn now to be in reserve.

May 7. We are in marvelous shelters, where we laugh defiance to³ missiles of all sorts and kinds, even the 420's.⁴ Behind the second lines, galleries are sunk, to which large staircases give access.⁵ They are surrounded by a sort of ditch which serves as a rard, on which the entrances open. They are vast tunnels, 15 meters underground, made by the engineers; broad, comfortable, supported by huge beams, and furnished with plank floors. They are about thirty

^{1.} On the firing line, 在前列任衝鋒事. 2. Our turn, 常語,輪到我們. 3. Laugh (läi) defiance (dē-fi'ǎns) tc, 蔑

隊。三隊在前列任衝鋒事。一隊 殿後。此余隊殿後之日也。

五月七日。余濠蔭蔽甚佳。無危險之虞。任何炸彈。視之蔑如。 即改之「四百二十」亦無如我何也。二列之後有坑道四相如。二列之後有坑道四周之。坑道四周之。坑道四周之。坑道四周,以群。以代庭園之用。溝中有地区。坑道之形如巨管。深入地中者十五密達。為軍中工程於所建。道中廣博安適。支以重对。下鋪木板。道之長可三十密達。

視. 4. "420's," 大炸彈. 5. Give access (ăk'sĕs), 通之.

meters long, three meters broad, and three meters high. There are beds of straw, bags for pillows, and candles for lighting—in every way comfortable. In the yard are supplies: grenades, wire, trench shells, and tasks of water. We officers have a special gallery with two compartments—a living room and a sleeping room. The former has a huge fireplace, a big table, several stools, and a superb lamp. The bedroom is less sumptuous: a large space covered with a thick bed of straw, where we shall sleep soundly.

There has been unusual activity along the front these two days. Staff officers keep coming and going. Men have been carrying

Grenades (gre-nadz'),不以激放而以手擲之炸彈.

近二日中。兵士之居前列者。 軍務倥傯。將校輩往返匆匆。士

^{2.} Living room, 休憩室. 3. Sleep sourdly, 鼾睡.

to the first lines quantities of hand grenades, wire, and ladders. Aëroplanes are circling busily through the air. The artillery sounds like an orchestra tuning its instruments before the symphony. Important events are in the air.

Evening. It's coming! The grand offensive² is to be launched over a wide area. In the whole of Flanders the attempt is to be made to pierce the Boche front.³ We are going to try to get out of these accursed trenches⁴ and fight superbly, face to face.⁵

About five o'clock, just as we were sitting down at table, I was called to the

^{1.} Tuning (tūn'ing) its instruments (in'stroō-měnts), 若琴師未彈時正音調之聲. 2. Grand offensive (ŏ-fēn'sīv), 大攻勢. 3. Pierce (pērs) the Boche front (irūnt), 直搗敵軍前

率日載手擲彈鐵絲網及軍用 梯至前列濠中。航空艇游弋太空。川流不息。 礮聲隆隆。若音樂 隊員校正樂器之聲。然最要之 事則在芒芒太空中。

初昏。野戰將至。吾軍攻勢。將 占地面不少。全軍之在弗蘭特 者。將一致進行。直搗敵軍前列。 自此吾軍將離此可憎之濠溝而 與敵軍爲內薄之野戰矣。

五時。余正就坐。而上令召余

列. 4. Accursed(č-kûrst') trenches(trěnch'ěz), 可憎之壕溝. 5. Fight (fit) face to face, 肉瀬.

commandant. My colleagues had also been summoned and we received our orders. Tomorrow, at an hour not yet indicated, the regiment is to attack in concert² with those of the nine army corps that are massed in this region. It is the grand offensive, victory perhaps. We are to go forward and jump over four enemy trenches, previously battered by the artillery, not stopping until we reach a ravine that can be seen through the glass 800 meters from our first line. We pore over the maps,3 and each of us makes sure of his My company is to march at the exact goal.4 head in deployed line and lead the drive. The commandant then shook hands with each

^{1.} Receive (rē-sēv') orders (ôr'dērz), 受令. 2. Attack (ŭ-tăk') in concert (kŏn'sērt), 合攻. 3. Pore over the maps

往。余之同事均在。受令而退。明 日在一尚未定奪之時。全軍將 與屯駐該處之軍士九營合力進 剿。此大進攻策。或能勝敵。亦未 可知。令中命余等直前痛剿。越 已爲吾軍礮隊所擊之敵濠四。 至距吾軍前列八百米達自遠鏡 可見之山壑始止。余等取圖細 視。庶人人知所攻之目的地。余 則率部屬列陣前驅。爲先鋒 隊。 元 帥 與 余 等 一 一 握 手。

⁽maps), 取圖細視. 4. Goal, 目的地.

of us in turn, and told us that he counted on every man to do his duty.

I went back to my soldiers to issue the command to get ready. Each man was to have 200 cartridges, six grenades, and three days' rations, and was to carry his blanket slung crosswise over his shoulder.2 while I was consulting the plan of the German positions with my colleagues, a message came that all orders were canceled. The sudden let-down3 was not entirely pleasant, but we all shared somewhat the feeling4 of the sorry jester who said, "All right, that gives us one more day to live." We count on coming out

^{1.} In turn, 輪流, 一一等意. 2. Slung (slung) crosswise ros'wiz') over the shoulder (shōl'dēr), 支於兩肩. 3. Let-

且謂彼知人人能各盡其職也。

down, 退讓. 4. Shared (shârd) the feeling, 表 同情.

alive, but the nearness of danger is not without its anguish.

We have been having a fine game of poker. I lost, so I shall be lucky. I am tired. My fellow officers have been asleep this long time. I am going to imitate them. he boom of our big guns is heavy and deep.

May 8.—10 P.M.³ It is for to-night. We are to take positions⁴ in the first line at ? A.M.⁵ The time of the attack is not yet fixed. I have written a great many letters. Perhaps I have given way to⁶ my feelings in some of them. I did not tell my mother. I wrote her that new movements of troops

^{1.} Come out alive, 生還. 2. Is not without (=has). 3. 10 p.m., 夜十時. 4. Take positions (pō-zish'ūnz), 列 陣.

還。而危險過近。亦非無惱人之處者。

余等玩撲克甚樂。余敗。故余 之命運亦必佳。余疲甚。同事均 已鼾睡。余將效之。時吾軍巨礮 之聲隆隆然威重而深沈。

五月八日。夜十鐘。此為今夕 之事也。夜二時。余等須至前行。 列陣以待。攻襲之時尚在未定。 余已作書多通。余於數函中。或 流露余當日之感情。然慈母處 則未實告之。僅謂軍中行止不

^{5. 2} a.m., 上午二時即夜二時. 6. Give way to, 讓. 表 響意.

are predicted for the near future¹ and that she is not to worry if she has no news of ne² for a while. But I told the truth to my ittle godmother and to my old friend. . . .

But sadness and farewells I have put ehind me.³ Now I am all a soldier, and a ldier filled with the determination to fight 1 to conquer, and exalted by the work and is before him. If I die, and these are the last words I am destined to write, I want them to be Vive—vive la France!⁵

June 9. In the silence and quiet of a little hospital room, near a window where pink and white thorn trees make a fragrant

^{1.} Near future, 不久. 2. No news of me, 失余消息. 3. ut behind (bē-hīnd') me, 置之腦後; 不顧. 4. Exalted

日將有變動。若老母不得余家書勿心憂而已。然余以實告余 之教母及總角友。

然苦痛也。別離也。余已置之 腦後。今日之我為軍人。中心所 儲。惟奮戰與制勝之決心及知 醞釀於軍人之職而已。不幸而 歿於疆場。則余之最後數語。為 「法蘭西萬歲萬萬歲」。

六月九號。療養院斗室中萬 籟無聲。人音寂寂。余倚短窗 而坐。窗外栽紅白色之刺樹。成

⁽ĕg-zôl'těd), 醞 釀. 5. Vive la France (Long live France, 法國 萬 歲 之 意).

screen, I am going to try to describe the nightmare of a month ago, and finish the record of my first campaign.

As I read over the last few pages, the enthusiasm I felt when they were written comes surging back. Neither time nor suffering can take it away from me. But the horror of the terrible hours that followed our offensive on the ninth of May is a thing of the past. It has been lifted and smoothed away in this peaceful hospital by the angels who dwell in it—the sublime women of the French Red Cross. The account of the events of that day will be none the less exact

^{1.} Comes surging (sûrj'ing) back, 完的上心來. 2. It (指Enthusiasm, ĕn-thū'zī-ĕz'm). 3. A thing of the past, 已成

芬芳之簾。余將試述一月前之 迷離夢境。完我第一遭征陣之 歷史。

往日. 4. Red cross, 紅十字會. 5. Will be none the less, (=will not be less).

for having waited. I have not forgotten any part of them.

On the night before the attack, then, we were awakened about midnight by the beginning of the bombardment. Unable to sleep, we arose and began preparations ahead of time.1 At last came the order to go forward to our fighting posts. One by one we moved along the dark narrow trenches leading to² the first lines. Above our heads was the constant hissing of our big shells going ahead of us3 to the Boches. Once in the first line. we spent the hours of waiting as comfortably as we could.

^{1.} Ahead of time, 在定期之先(文中譯意). 2. Leading

以不實。任何部分。固列列在余目也。

進攻之隔夕。余等於子夜為 礮聲所醒。不能成寐。乃披衣起。 時雖未至。余等已為未雨之綢 繆。後令卒下。命余等赴前敵 位。乃雁行入黑而窄通前列之 濠道。掠余項而過者。為嗤嗤不 絕先余等而行之巨彈。既至前 列。則安然以待。

to. 通. 3. Going ahead of us, 先余等而行.

Dawn came slowly. The bombardment kept growing in intensity. It was seven o'clock. Several artillery officers came into my trench to regulate the precision of the fire, which was to clear our way2 of all outside obstacles—wire entanglements, chevauxde-frise,3 the enemy trenches. In a short time, all was regulated, and the storm began. It is impossible to realize the din of this firing. Guns of all calibers spit forth their shells with the maximum of rapidity. This lasted three hours, three deafening, maddening hours. In the midst of this storm of steel and fire, the brigadier-general arrived. He said a few words to me. I told him I was as

^{1.} Growing in intensity (in-těn'sǐ-tỷ), 益 增 觀 烈. 2. Clear our way, 清 道. 3. Chevaux-de-frise (shē-vō'-dē-frēz'); (法文, 今英文中亦智用之, 阻馬之栅也, 詳見 Webster's

黎明。晨曦徐徐至。 櫢攻益增 劇烈。時晨七鐘也。三數礮隊職 官。入余等濠。量彈之準的。庶外 障… 鐵絲之障阻馬之栅及敵 軍力濠…得一掃而空之。為吾 軍清道也。須臾各事咸畢。礮轟 繼起。其動搖山岳之聲。幾令人 不可信。大小各礮。均以最大之 凍率施放子彈。若是者三小時。 聲震天地。鬧人欲聲。而當此鐵 火風雨中。副將來詔余數語。余

Dictionary; Din of firing, 動搖山岳之蠍擊). 4. All calibers (kāl'ī-bērz), 大小各徑寸之蠍.

sure of my men¹ as of myself. He seemed satisfied and gave me the hour of attack,² ten o'clock. Every one looked at his watch. Nine o'clock. So in an hour then—

at the foot of my ladder. In those last moments thoughts come rapidly. On this ladder hangs our destiny.³ In the trench there is relative security.⁴ What will become of us at the top of those four rounds? But no one thinks of hesitating. We seem to be in the grasp of⁵ some unknown and mighty force.

I seize my revolver and make sure of my grenades. One minute to ten. At this

^{1.} Sure of my men, 深信 吾 兵. 2. Hour of attack (ā-tāk'), 進攻之時. 3. Hangs our destiny (děs'tīn-y), 余 輩 命 運 懸 之.

告以余之深信部卒與信已同。 渠似有滿足意。且示余進擊之 時定十鐘。士卒均取時計觀之。 針已指九鐘。則於一時中…。

九鐘五十五分。! 余趨余之梯側就位立。在此最後之數分中。意念紛沓而至。余輩之命運懸於此梯。 濠中尚有比較的安寧。於此梯。 濠中尚有比較的安寧。至此四級之巓後。余輩又將何如。? 然士卒絕無遲疑者。余輩似在冥冥中一絕大勢力之掌握中。

余急取手鎗。探手擲彈。九鐘五十九分至。陡聞轟轟聲

^{4.} Relative (rěl'á-tǐv) security (sē-kū'rǐ-tǐy), 比較的安容. 5. In the grasp (grásp) of, 為所提.

instant comes a rumbling detonation which causes the ground to tremble as if shaken by an earthquake. Our mines have exploded. This is the time.

"Attention! Forward, mes petits, and vive la France!"

This cry burst from every throat, and I sprang up my ladder, followed by my men. From that moment I was carried forward by the intoxication of the assault.² I did not see, but rather felt, my men close to me, running by my side, and, like myself, drunk with a sublime madness. We reached the first German trench. We threw hand grenades. But no living thing was there. Confusedly, in my forward rush, I saw heaps

^{1.} Mes petits (=my little ones, 法文也). 2. Intoxi-

動地。若遭地震者。吾軍地雷已 炸裂。殺賊時至矣。

注意。! 往前進。! 吾軍。! 法蘭西萬歲。!

此聲自人人之喉管出。余距 躍登梯。士卒隨余而登。自此分 鐘後。余爲殺敵之醉狂所驅而 前。余目不能見。但覺部卒近余 之身同趨而已。部卒之無上瘋 狂。如痴如醉。與余同。余等至德 軍前濠。擲彈中之。然濠中闃其 無人。余狂進則見土堆尸骸。

cation (in-toks'i-kā'shun) of the assault (a-salt), 殺敵之狂醉.

of earth and corpses. The bombardment had almost leveled the trench. Forward, still forward. We kept running breathlessly, carried away by the strange fascination of victory, and by the joy of treading the soil we were giving back to France. I went ahead, unconscious of those who were falling by the way. My intelligence was numbed. A greater force was urging me on.

After passing the second trench, I noticed that our ranks had thinned,² but we went on and plunged into the third trench. A furious hand-to-hand fight³ followed. I unloaded my revolver almost instinctively on a German who was aiming at me. By this time our

^{1.} Strange (strānj) fascination (fǎs'ī-nā'shǔn) of victory vìk'tō-rˇy), 勝敵之奇樂. 2. Ranks (rǎnks) had thinned

經 敵之第二濠後。方知吾軍已漸稀。然余等不顧而前。指第三濠而趨。內薄之戰繼之。余施一彈於一德兵之以鎗指我者。 幾若有動物之本能然。時吾軍

⁽thǐnd), 軍已漸稀. 3. Hand-to-hand fight, 手搏, 肉漆之戰.

second wave of assault was joining us. I quickly decided to merge in it and push forward. I was covered with sweat and blood—with the blood of the Boche I had killed. I was in a frenzy. I ran toward the fourth trench, the last one to capture before reaching our goal. I went on, hypnotized by that trench which seemed to be running to meet me. I could see the enemy through the gaps that our artillery had made in their defenses.

Suddenly I fell. I was alone. Above my head the constant whizzing of bullets; near by, the significant snorting of a machine gun.² At first I was a little stunned, then I

^{1.} In a frenzy (fren'zy),如在如醉. 2. Snorting (snôrt-

之第二衝鋒隊。已與余軍接。余 決混其隊中而前。時汗血裹余 身。此血卽余所斃波歇所濺者 也。余若狂若醉。余趨敵軍第四 滚。此為最後者。過之則達余軍 目的地矣。行行復行行。第四濠 前趨若迎。余若受其魔術者。無 何。自吾軍職火所穿之敵壁中。 已隱約可見敵人之栗六往來。

余忽倒地。四顧寂焉無人。掠余項而過者。為彈丸之嘶嘶破空聲。左近則機關礮之噴氣聲。明晰可辨。始余頗暈。後試

mg) of a machine (má-shēn') gun,機關數之突突噴氣壁.

起立。覺右臂不仁。余之外褂為 血所染幾滿。余臂下垂。全失自 由。受傷乎。是無疑。然余部卒焉 往。余微 擡 余 首。 一 彈 破 空 來。 近 余處而落。余復後仰。然余尚有 時得流覽四周也。前顧無人。後 顧亦然。尸橫蔽野。余踽踽一人。 距敵濠僅十碼也。視其中余可 見波歇輩之往來。余以左手執 手 鎗。然 以 左 手 放 鎗。亦 果 何 益。 余鎗不中的。若輩絕余命矣。

me, 絕余生命.

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¹¹¹e, 絕余生命.

To advance was impossible. To go back was equally impossible. The least move would be my death. The bullets over my head kept up a fearful hum. This situation could not last. If I did not get under shelter, one of those bullets would surely find me out. Near by, within a few yards, a slight rise in the ground indicated a possible cavity. With great care, without apparent motion,2 inch by inch, I dragged myself³ to it. Think of my joy! It was a large funnel, dug out by a German mine, and a score of wounded had taken refuge4 in it. Still another effort5 and I found myself among them.

^{1.} Least move, 少動寸步. 2. Without apparent (ä-pâr'ěnt) motion (mō'shǎn), 暴 視 似 不 勁 者 (文中譯 意). 8. Dragged (drǎgd) myself, 曳 余而行, 製步之狀. 4. Take

進既不得。退又不能。少動而 余之生命必絕。彈丸之過余項 者。急如驟雨。其聲可懼。此時之 情形。實非能支久者。苟余不凍 **寬蔭蔽。則必有一彈得我者。余** 身左近數碼內。地微墳起。或為 地穴。亦未可知。乃匍匐而行。小 心翼翼。得寸進寸。為極微之行 動。讀者試思余欣喜之心。!此果 一地穴也。穴為德軍地雷所炸 成者。二十餘據傷之率。方避難 其中。余更一用力。而入其中與

refuge (rěf'ūj), 避 難. 5. Still another effort (ěf'ort), 再 一 用 力.

cavity was five or six yards deep and very wide at the top. A few dead lay prone¹ upon the edge—poor fellows, killed at the moment when, like myself, they saw salvation in that hole.

Above our heads the air was lashed with² a terrible cross fire. The sad truth began to come home to me³ that our advance had been checked after the third trench. And what of my men. my poilus whom I so loved? Dead?

But our own plight was critical. Our lives hung by a very slender thread. For the present, the unceasing fire of the machine guns prevented our escape. Sooner or

^{1.} Lay prone (pron), 俯 欹. 2. Lashed with, 答責. 3.

諸人伍矣。穴之深約五六碼。而 孔之口甚巨。死卒數人俯欹其 上。…若輩初意。亦與余同。知穴 中可救危急。而入穴之時。遽喪 生命。可憐也。

余輩頂上。則空氣方受猛火之 答責。余此時方漸得可憂之 為。謂吾軍越敵人第三藻後。卽 被擊退矣。然吾之部卒。吾所愛 憐之軍士。果何往。豈均遭害乎。

然余等之地位。亦在危機一 髮中。余等之生命。若懸於細絲 之端。機關礟縣縣不絕之礮火。 阻余等之逃生。不久德人反攻

Come home to me, 漸知.

later the Germans would launch a counter attack2 and put an end to us with their hand grenades. And again, if the French pursued the offensive, they would renew the bombardment, and in all probability³ we should be struck by our own shells. As for surrendering to the Boches, -they were near enough,—every man of us would rather starve in that hole. These thoughts and the pain from my wound overcame me for an instant.5 I felt myself losing consciousness.6 I took a few drops of cordial that I happened to have in my bag, and revived.

^{1.} Sooner or later, 遲早,不久等意. 2. Counter(koun'ter) attack (ā-tāk'), 築壕反攻. 3. In all probability (prŏb'ā-bīl'i-tˇy), 大概. 4. Would rather, 賓可. 5. For an instant

吾軍。以手彈置吾輩於死地。或 則法軍取進攻之勢。而重用礮 擊。則余等亦不免爲本隊之彈 丸所斃。至降服於波歇輩。… 渠等固密邇咫尺。… 則余輩甯 死地穴中。此時意念之紛至沓 來及受傷之苦痛。幾令余暈。余 漸覺人事不知。余袋中適儲考 及兒酒。亟取數滴飲之。始漸 復原。

⁽in'stănt), 瞬息(文中譯意). 6. Losing consciousness (kŏn'shŭs-nĕss), 人事不知.

Then came a short lull. Time dragged along slowly, very slowly. Toward noon a fusillade broke forth in the enemy's trench. A ray of hope. Were the French carrying their attack to the fourth line? A man suddenly stumbled into our crater. He was one of my own soldiers. He was without his equipment. He saw me and, weeping and laughing, embraced me. I asked him where he came from and why he had no gun, no bayonet, no grenades. In a distracted voice, he told me his story.

After I had been wounded and knocked down, my soldiers kept on running forward and jumped into the fourth German trench. But their ranks had thinned, and they were

^{1.} Distracted (dis-trak'ted) voice (vois), 迷惘呻吟之登.

於時職火頓息。得片刻之安靜。光陰之行。遲遲又遲遲。至午。 離遲又遲遲。至午。 離遲又遲遲。至午。 離遲不。如疾風暴雨。指我 軍射來。余等忽似有一線之子。 望者。豈吾軍地穴中。渠爲余部 空本之一。軍械已全失。渠見余部 本之一。軍械已全失。渠見余 喜交至。立趨前與余農抱。余 以何自來。何以失其鎗械及其 所經者。

余被傷倒地後。部卒乃勇往 直前。躍入敵軍第四濠內。然渠 等隊伍漸稀。人數亦不足。激戰 too few. Some were killed, others disarmed. The latter were told by the Boches after a time, "You are not wanted. Get out of here." My men were bewildered. They could not understand. Again they were ordered to leave, and finally they climbed out of the trench and began running back to the French position. The brutes then fired upon them from behind. All were killed evidently, with the exception of this soldier, who owed his life to the crater into which he had providentially fallen.

My despair was intense, for I had lost all my brave men, and I was powerless to avenge them. To this mental torture was added the suffering from my wound. The

^{1.} Owed his life to, 以此而得全其生命(文中分譯).

余失望已極。所部勇卒。幾無 一存者。而余竟無力爲復仇。此 時腦筋中除慘苦外。又益以傷 hot rays of the sun shone directly upon¹ us. Hand grenades fell again into the crater. We crouched close² to the ground.

Presently the French 75's and 105's began to burst over the German trench. They were very, very near us. One 75 exploded just above our heads, and the impact threw the body of a dead soldier almost on top of me. A shell burst and blew to pieces that very soldier of mine who had escaped the odious massacre. We quickly threw a tent sheet over this abomination. We were fully conscious of the horror of our situation. Another explosion cut off the foot of a sergeant, and, in spite of his screams, I

^{· 1.} Shone (shōn) directly upon, 直射. 2. Crouched (krouched) close, 獸伏. 3. Odious (ō'dǐ-ŭs) massacre (mǐs'-

處之劇痛。炎炎日光。直射余等 之身。手彈亦續續至。余等乃獸 伏 穴 中。

此時法軍之「七十五」及「一百零五」始在敵濠前紛紛炸裂。離余等綦近。一「七十五」適於余輩項上炸。力擲一死尸下。幾覆余身。一彈又裂。撕一卒作片片戮。即余之部卒。自萬惡之屠戮。中幸逃生命者也。余等急以篷帳覆之。此時情景之險惡余等深知之也。又一彈裂。則一軍曹之足。雖渠慘痛哀呼。而余仍以碘酒

ā-kēr),萬惡之屠戮 (指德軍釋法兵歸營而自後擊之事). 4. Fully conscious (kŏn'shws) of, 深悉.

poured a flask of iodine on his wound. Then, for the first time, I abandoned all hope. We had made a sacrifice of our lives and waited, motionless, resigned, trembling.

But an idea came to me. There were heavy planks in the bottom of the crater, which had been used to prop the explosion chamber of the mine. With much difficulty, we moved them together, leaning them against the side of the crater. Under this shelter we all huddled. Several times our wooden structure was violently shaken¹ by explosions, and our wounds were racked at each shock. This lasted a long time, an infinitely long time. The hours do not seem to move under such circumstances.²

^{1.} Violently(vi'ō-lĕnt-lੱy) shaken(shā'k'n), 劇動. 2. Un-

敷其創口。於是生平第一遭覺一切希望都絕矣。乃犧牲生命。靜 待死期之至。不動不言。 軀體戰 慄不已。

余忽得一計。穴中地上。有厚重之木板。用以支撑地道中之炸裂室者。經種種困難。方得集此數木板於一處。推之使斜倚故穴之墻。余等羣集於其蔭蔽之下。余等之木障。數為彈丸爆裂動。而余等之創。每一激動。痛亦更劇。若是者良久。良久。處此等情景中。光陰似毫無移動者。

der such circumstances (sûr'kum-stăn-sez), 處此等情形中.

Finally the captain of the company which marched immediately behind us, the only man in the crater who was not wounded, declared that he was going to the French trench to have the firing stopped. In spite of our protests, for we were sure that he would meet death on the way, he went out under the bombardment. A long time afterwards the firing from our side stopped. Could the captain have reached our trenches? And hope revived in us again.² We all wanted to leave that inferno at once. But the German machine guns started in afresh.3 We must wait for the night.

^{1.} Meet death on the way, 途中喪生(文中霹意). 2. Hope revived (rē-vīvd') in us again, 一線之望於是又生.

終之。隨余隊後某軍之大尉 亦卽諸人中之未受幾微傷者。 宣言將超法營止其礮攻。此行 似萬無生理。然雖余等竭力阻 止。而渠終冒彈雨而行。久之吾 軍職火忽止。豈大尉已安抵吾 軍耶。一絲之望於是又生。余等 均欲立離此地獄而行。而德軍 機關職重來。乃不得不靜待以 **卜** 其 夜。

^{3.} Started (stär'těd) in afresh (a-frěsh'), 重來.

The sun was getting low. The bombardment ceased, and we came out from under the protection of our planks. We stretched out on the ground, which was all furrowed by shells. The wounded were moaning, some had the death rattle. I was completely exhausted, and somehow I fell asleep. When I awoke it was already dusk. The hour of deliverance was near. But as soon as night came, rockets flashed from the German trench and a fusillade burst forth. Possibly some of the wounded had tried to return to our lines and were being shot from behind. Our hope grew dim and we wondered if we should ever get away. We were horrified to think we might have to spend another

^{1.} Stretch (stretch) out on the ground, 以地.

日輪漸落西山下。磁火亦止。 余等乃自木板之蔽護下出。臥 於地上。地爲彈丸所侵。成溝渠 無數。兵卒之傷者。臥地呼痛。數 卒則作將死時之哀鳴。余之神 志體力已全失。然亦鼾然入睡。 醒時已將入夜矣。初意解脫之 時將至。而夜色纔至。卽見烽烟 自德濠起。彈丸如雨。隨之而來。 或以三數吾軍傷卒回營時敵 軍 自 後 擊 之 也。余等希望 寖淡。 不識果宜離此否。然念及更留 **穴中一日之苦。則彌增驚悵。均** day in that hole. Better die at once, die in the effort to get back, die with hope in our hearts.

Toward nine o'clock the man least wounded among us decided to venture forth. His plan was, on reaching the French line, to request that a trench be dug out in our direction so that we could return in safety. We agreed upon a signal to be given by our machine guns. Twice four sharp shots to establish the communication. Three times three slow shots would indicate that we must wait until they came for us. Three times three rapid shots that we should have to escape by our own means.

^{1.} Least wounded (woond'ěd), 受傷最輕者. 2. Return (rē-tûrn') in safety, 安然而湿. 3. Established (ěs-tǎb'lisht)

是死也。母甯速死。回吾營而死。 心存一線之望而死。不愈於死 **穴**中乎。

將及九鐘時。余輩之受傷最輕者決冒險出。渠計謂抵法營 輕者決冒險出。渠計謂抵法營 時當求軍中向此穴鑿一濠。庶余 等可安然還。乃約以吾軍機關 礮之礮聲爲號。連二次之之 響三聲。爲令余等靜待救兵之 號。連三次之急響三聲。爲令余 等人自爲謀之號。

the communication (kō·mū'nī-kā'shǎn), 設立交通即關白之意. 4. By our own means, 人自為謀.

Half an hour or more elapsed. Rockets kept flashing in the night and the machine guns never stopped. We began to fear for the fate of our comrade. But at last came the signal—three times three rapid shots. Hurry back, hurry back, hurry back, said the French guns. We had to count on ourselves alone, and we decided to crawl toward our lines.

Only one could not leave, the man wounded in the stomach. "So you forsake me!" he moaned. I spread my blanket over him and promised to send for him. I knew this was impossible, but my deception might help

^{1.} Fear (fer) for the fate (fāt) of, 為之危. 2. At long intervals (ĭn'tēr-vālz), 隔時 良久 3. Send for him, 造人

牛鐘已過。烽烟自夜中四起。 機關礮轟轟之聲。不絕於耳。余 等漸爲歸營之火伴危。然號礮 之聲卒至。急響三聲者連三次。 若云速歸速歸港。余輩須 仗已力爲謀。乃決意匍匐蛇 行歸。

一人先行。良久乃以一人隨 之。不能行者僅一卒。其胃管受 傷重也。行時渠 微呼云。君輩棄 我而行乎。余覆之以氈。允以遣 人拯之。余知此為決無之事。而 him to die in hope. I knew also the terror of dying there slowly, and alone, all alone. But he was beyond our help.

I could not crawl on my stomach.¹ I was obliged to lie on my back,² and advance head first toward the French lines. The rockets gave me a glimpse of our trenches. They were several hundred yards distant. I pushed myself along with my feet as does a man when swimming on his back. As soon as a rocket flashed its light I remained motionless, feigning death³ among the dead. And in those few instants of immobility, I could hear my heart beat, and moans and cries of men dying,⁴ and of wounded calling

^{1.} Crawl (kral) on my stomach (stǔm'ŭk), 匍匐而行. 2. ie on my back, 背贴地. 3. Feigning (fān'ing) death, 詐死.

所以慰以謊語者。我能令其含希望而絕也。余非不知獨居穴中遲遲就死之苦。然愛莫能助。 無可奈何。

余不能匍匐行。則不得不以 背帖地首指吾軍而前。四周烽 火明滅。得隱約見吾軍濠溝。約 數百碼之遙。余以二足推余身 而前。若人之背泳者。烽烟偶起。 則止不動。僞爲死尸。當余臥地 不動時。可聞心旁之跳躍聲。垂 斃人之哀呼慘痛聲。及受傷者

^{4.} Of men dying, 垂 斃 之人.

for help. I passed by a soldier who was groaning feebly. I recognized him and tried to drag him with me. With great difficulty I managed to pull him a few feet. And then I saw that I was dragging a corpse.

This Calvary lasted long, frightfully long. Several times I bumped my head into dead bodies. Crawling backward² I could not see these obstacles. At one moment, I found myself under a corpse. The body was in a kneeling position³ and leaning forward. I had its face against my face, and its open eyes seemed to stare at me. The magnesium light of a rocket made that face appear still more livid.⁴ I worked myself free⁵ and

^{1.} Groaning (grōn'ing) feebly (fē'blō), 呻吟. 2. Crawling (kral'ing) backward (băk'wērd), 背 行. 3. Kneeling

之呼援聲。余行經一卒傍。微聞其呻吟聲。余識其人。則設法引之而行。費種種艱難。勉挈其人數尺。方知余固引一死尸也。

若是者久之。久之。首觸死尸 者數次。以余背行不獲見障礙 物之當余前也。一次余行經死 尸之下。尸作跪狀。首傾於前。尸 面適對余面。若大張其目視我 者。烽煙中之鎂光。突射尸面。益 形青色。余脫身而前。行於此

⁽něl'îng) position (pổ-zǐsh'ŭn), 跪 狀. 4. Still more livid (liv'id), 更形青色. 5. Worked myself free, 脫身.

went on over that rough, chaotic ground, falling into shell holes, jostling the dead. But my whole being was strained to the one idea—to go back, to reach the French trench to which I was drawing nearer and nearer. I began talking out loud. Without knowing it, I must have talked a good deal....

Meanwhile German shells kept falling in rapid succession. I was covered with earth several times, and once roughly shaken up.³ But now the goal was very near. I shouted with all my strength, "France! France! I am a lieutenant of the Eleventh Company." I dimly heard voices saying, "This way, this way!" I directed myself by

^{1.} Whole (hōl) being, 全身. 2. Strained (strānd) to the e idea, 注於一念. 3. Roughly (rǔf')y) shaken (shā'k'n) up,

嘔突兀之地上。時或顛入炸穴。 擁擠穴中之死尸。然余當時全 身僅注於一念。歸營而已。營與 余相去漸近。余漸高聲呼。余雖 不自知而當時言語必多也。

斯時德軍彈丸之至。續續無已時。鬆土之覆余身者數次。若受暴擊者亦一次。然成功已在目前。乃竭余力呼曰。「法蘭西。法蘭西。余十一隊之隊長也」。余依稀聞人聲云。「循此道來。循此道

those voices. I was exhausted. I got entangled in wire defenses. My arm hurt unbearably. A shell that fell near stunned me. I felt myself being seized and pulled. I fell into the trench—the French trench. Then I fainted.

來」余尋聲而往。余力已盡。余軀 纒於鐵網中。傷臂。痛不可忍。一 彈之近余落者。使余暈。余覺有 力引余身者。余顚入濠。… 法國 之濠。… 余乃昏暈去。

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