

FOURTH (SECOND IMPERIAL BUSHMEN) CONTINGENT.

CONSISTED of two Companies (or Squadrons), enrolled upon a system similar to that which obtained in constituting the previous Contingent. Rates of pay, equipment, &c., as before. The establishment comprised a small Battalion staff, consisting, in the first instance, of 1 lieutenant-colonel (commanding), 1 lieutenant (Medical Staff), 1 regimental sergeant-major, 1 regimental quartermaster-sergeant, and 1 transport sergeant. To these were added an adjutant, appointed from the Company officers, and an orderly room sergeant, also drawn from a Company. Each Company establishment included 1 captain, 4 subalterns, 1 colour-sergeant, 1 quartermaster-sergeant, 1 farrier-sergeant, 3 sergeants, 2 buglers, and 109 rank and file.

DEPARTURE AND RETURN.

The 2nd Tasmanian Imperial Bushmen left on 27th March, 1901, comprising—12 officers, 241 others, with 289 horses. Six were killed or died; 10 officers and 6 others were struck off in South Africa; 2 officers were appointed from the ranks; 1 N.C.O. obtained an Imperial commission. The remainder returned to Tasmania.

PROMOTIONS, ETC.

Lieutenant J. M'Cormick, to Adjutant, 27th March, 1901.
 Lieutenant H. Hallam, to Transport Officer, 6th June, 1901.
 Lieutenant M. H. Swan, to Paymaster, 1st August, 1901.
 2nd Lieutenant F. R. Chalmers, to 1st Lieutenant, 1st August, 1901.
 Colour-Sergeant A. J. P. Suche, to 2nd Lieutenant, 27th April, 1901.
 Corporal G. L. McIntyre, to Provisional Lieutenant, 19th February, 1902.
 Sergeant G. Shaw, promoted Lieutenant from 1st Tasmanian Imperial Bushmen.
 Trooper L. H. Laughton, promoted Lieutenant from 1st Tasmanian Imperial Bushmen.
 Lance-Corporal Brownell received an Imperial commission.
 For promotions other than Commissions, *vide* Nominal Roll.

SERVICE.

The Contingent embarked at Hobart on the transport *Chicago*, on 27th March, 1901, and landed at Port Elizabeth on 24th April.

Their service was in Cape Colony, under General French; and may be summarized as follows:—8th, 9th, and 10th May—Ganna Hoek, driving Scheeper's Commando out of Craddock District; joined General Scobell's Column, operating still about Craddock; joined Colonel Gorrings' "Flying Column." 1st June—Fight at Aliman's Fontein. 8th June—Fight at Rietfontein, Malan's Commando. 3rd July—Fight near Zuurberg. 29th July—Fighting near Schilder Kranz. 1st August—Chased enemy into Munro's Column. 13th August—Fight at Roodepoort, captured Commandant Erasmus, Cachet, and others of Kruitzinger's Commando. 14th August—Fight with Kruitzinger at Lamenkronst. 16th August—Chased Kruitzinger across Orange River. 16th September—Surprised Commando at Wildeschutt's Berg, capturing some prisoners; operations against Smut's Commando in Drakensberg district. 21st October—Fight with Van Reenan's Commando. 23rd November—Captured Commandant Besters and ten others. February, 1902—Operations with 17th Lancers in Bamboo Mountain. On the 18th—Captured and shot Commandant Judge Hugo at Grootfontein. 10th March—Captured Commandant Rhudolph at Klein Taffelberg.

Soon after landing, the Corps was engaged with Scheepers at Ganna Hoek Cape Colony, where Trooper Warburton was killed. Trooper Brownell distinguished himself in this affair and afterwards received a commission in the Imperial Army. On the 19th May, the Tasmanians joined Scobell's Column, which was one of the most successful. On the 1st June, they passed to Colonel Gorrington, whose force was formed into a Flying Column, without wheeled transport.

On 13th February, 1902, Colonel Doran took over the Column, and the Contingent served under him until 4th May. On 18th February, they suffered several casualties, and the strain on men and horses was very great; but the Column did excellent work, and was frequently complimented by General French and Lord Kitchener. The various leaders commended the Contingent for fearlessness, good horsemanship, and cheerful endurance of the greatest hardships. On 13th August, 1901, Sergeant-Major Young, of the Cape Police, with Quartermaster-Sergeant Lynes, Sergeant Coombes, and eight other Tasmanians, charged a kopje where the enemy were strongly entrenched, and captured Commandant Erasmus and others. Young obtained the Victoria Cross.

The Contingent were several times successful in capturing influential Boer leaders. For twelve months they were incessantly employed; long marches often being undertaken by night, followed by actions with the Commandoes of Krutzinger, Scheepers, Myberg, and others.

On the 22nd May, 1902, the Contingent embarked on the transport *Manila* at Durban, and arrived in Tasmania on 25th June, having called at Albany, Adelaide, and Melbourne *en route*. Disbanded on 30th June.

WAR SERVICES AND HONOURS.

Watchorn, Lieut.-Colonel E. T.—Operations in Orange River Colony, August to September, 1901. Operations in Cape Colony between April, 1901, and May, 1902. Despatches, *London Gazette*, 17th June, 1902. C.B. Queen's Medal with clasps.

Henderson, Captain C.—Operations as above. Queen's Medal with two clasps.

Spencer, Captain T. A.—Operations as above. Queen's Medal with clasps.

McCormick, Lieutenant J., Adjutant.—Served also with first Contingent. Operations with 2nd Tasmanian Imperial Bushmen, as stated. Despatches, *London Gazette*, 31st August, 1902. D.S.O. Queen's Medal with five clasps.

Mattei, Lieutenant C. (Medical Staff).—Operations as stated. Queen's Medal with clasp.

Richardson, Lieutenant G. F.—*Vide* 1st Contingent. Operations as stated. Despatches, *London Gazette*, 31st August, 1902. Queen's Medal with five clasps. King's Medal with two clasps.

Blyth, Lieutenant C. O.—Service as above. *Vide* 1st Contingent.

Bisdee, Lieutenant J. H., D.C.—*Vide* 1st Tasmanian Imperial Bushmen. Operations as stated. Queen's Medal with three clasps. King's Medal with two clasps.

Hallam, H., *Swan*, M. H., and *Chalmers*, F. R. (Lieutenants).—As for Lieutenant Blyth.

Brent, R. D., and *Suche*, A. J. P. (Lieutenants).—Operations as stated. Queen's Medal with two clasps.

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No. and Name.	Rank.	Remarks.
BATTALION STAFF.		
Watchorn, Edwin Thomas	.. Lieut.-Colonel ..	
McCormick, John	.. Lieut.-Adjutant ..	Previous service in 1st Contingent
Mattei, Charles	.. Lieutenant ..	Medical Staff
266. Bruce, William	.. Sergeant-Major	
221. Robinson, Edward William	.. Quartermaster-Sergeant	
259. Coombe, Archibald	.. Transport Sergeant	Commander-in-Chief's despatches, 8.12.01 and 23.6.02
No. 1 COMPANY.		
<i>Officers.</i>		
Henderson, Carlisle	.. Captain	
Richardson, George Fairbrass	.. Lieutenant ..	Previous service in 1st Contingent
Blyth, Charles Oscar	Previous service in 1st Contingent
Bisdee, John Hutton	Previous service in 1st Tasmanian Imperial Bushmen
<i>N.C.O.'s and Men.</i>		
250. Winfield, Charles William	.. Sergeant-Farrier	Farrier Sergeant-Major, 17.7.01
148. Drew, John	.. Sergeant ..	Acting Colour-Sergeant; acting Regimental Sergeant-Major, 17.2.02
122. Brewster, Frederick Vincent	
150. Dixon, Robert	Acting Squadron Sergeant-Major, 17.2.02
129. Branagan, William	Colour-Sergeant, 28.4.01
235. Sandison, William	.. Corporal ..	Sergeant, 28.4.01
185. Johnston, Roy	
131. Blacklow, Richard Albert	Sergeant, 3.6.01
160. Facy, Wilfred James	Sergeant, 27.3.01
204. McIntyre, Gilbert Langdon	<i>Vide "Promotions"</i>
193. Lyne, Douglas M.	Quartermaster-Sergeant, Commander-in-Chief's despatches, 8.12.01; died of disease, 4.5.02
178. Holmwood, Cecil Archibald	.. Lance-Corporal ..	Corporal, 1.3.02
255. Wilson, Robert Benjamin	
213. Orr, John	Corporal, 28.4.01; killed in action 18.11.01
194. Laughton, Sydney Thomas	
166. Green, Hedley Laurence	.. Shoeing-smith	
139. Coleman, Herbert Norman	.. Shoeing-smith	
133. Billing, Phillip David	
243. Thomas, Vernon Samuel	
164. Glover, George	.. Saddler	
169. Goucher, Frederick Thomas Henry	.. Bugler	
240. Thompson, Frank William	
118. Anderson, George Alexander	.. Private	
119. Abery, Robert George	
120. Abery, Henry Percy	
121. Adams, Gordon Cyril	
124. Brooks, George Robert	
125. Burton, Charles William	
127. Brown, Alfred	
		.. Lance-Corporal, 27.12.01

Nominal Roll—*continued.*

No. and Name.	Rank.	Remarks.
No. 1 COMPANY— <i>continued.</i> N.C.O.'s and Men— <i>continued.</i>		
128. Barker, Walter George ..	Private	
130. Blackburn, Harry Stanley ..	"	
134. Byrne, William Joseph Samuel ..	"	
135. Brewer, Geo. Martin Frederick ..	"	
136. Baker, Arthur ..	"	
258. Blyth, George Herbert ..	"	
137. Cox, Leslie Thomas ..	"	
138. Cassidy, William Robert ..	"	
144. Coleman, Newell Hay ..	"	
140. Coates, Ernest Thomas ..	"	
142. Carlin, William Cameron ..	"	
145. Cooley, Robert Golding ..	"	
146. Cox, Herbert ..	"	.. Lance-Corporal, 3.6.01
151. Dobson, William Michael Henry ..	"	
152. Edwards, John William ..	"	
154. Fitzallen, Charles Edward ..	"	
155. Foreman, Frederick William ..	"	
156. Fegan, William Patrick ..	"	
157. Fergusson, Albert Ernest ..	"	
158. Ford, Frederick Wilbraham ..	"	
159. Ferguson, Tom Tierney ..	"	
161. Frost, Norman Lewis ..	"	
162. French, Claude ..	"	
163. Greer, Harold William ..	"	
165. Gee, Harold William ..	"	
167. Groom, Charles Gresham D'Oyley ..	"	.. Lance-Corporal, 28.4.01 ; Corporal, 27.12.01
168. Guthrie, Robert ..	"	
170. Hewitt, Elmslie Fayrer ..	"	
173. Hull, Robert Edward Morrisby ..	"	.. Acting Quartermaster-Sergeant, 28.6.01
174. Harris, George Albert ..	"	
175. Hewitt, Arthur Reginald ..	"	
176. Howard, Thomas Chas. Herbert ..	"	
177. Hill, George William ..	"	
179. Harrison, Ronald Wilberforce ..	"	.. Acting-Sergeant. Orderly-room Sergeant, 26.4.01
180. Harrison, George Francis ..	"	
182. Jardine, Thomas Foster ..	"	
183. Joyce, John Martial ..	"	
184. Johnstone, J. H. ..	"	
186. Jeffrey, Tasman ..	"	
187. Kirk, Joseph Edward ..	"	
188. Lutrell, Albert Walter Frederick ..	"	
189. Little, Alfred Richard ..	"	
190. Lyall, Thomas ..	"	
191. Lyne, William Henry ..	"	
195. Macdonald, Malcolm ..	"	
198. Morrisby, Raymond Clark ..	"	
197. Murrell, Edward R. ..	"	
199. Mundy, Thomas ..	"	
200. Monson, Albert Joseph ..	"	
201. Maroney, Joseph Harland ..	"	
202. McIntyre, Walter Archibald ..	"	
203. Murray, David James ..	"	
205. Marsden, Thomas Henry ..	"	
206. Maddox, Cyril Lakeland ..	"	

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No. and Name.	Rank.	Remarks.
No. 1 COMPANY— <i>continued.</i> N.C.O.'s and Men— <i>continued.</i>		
208. Manser, John Albert ..	Private	
209. Nation, Herbert ..	"	
210. Nicholson, Claude Anthony ..	"	
211. Neal, Allan Henry ..	"	
212. Oldham, Frank Hedley C. ..	"	
214. Peacock, Frederick ..	"	
216. Patterson, John Hugh ..	"	
217. Parker, Arthur James..	"	
218. Paul, Richard Arthur ..	"	
219. Pegg, Arthur Charles ..	"	
220. Patrick, Thomas Henry ..	"	
222. Riley, John Temple ..	"	
224. Robertson, Thomas ..	"	
225. Ramskell, Ernest Florestan ..	"	
226. Ross, Harold ..	"	
228. Simmonds, Frank Ernest ..	"	
229. Shearing, George ..	"	
230. Saunderson, George ..	"	
231. Street, James Robert ..	"	
232. Street, Robert Edward ..	"	
233. Shegog, Albert Edward ..	"	
234. Smith, Charles James ..	"	
236. Thompson, Richard Horace ..	"	
237. Tucker, Alfred Sorell ..	"	
238. Tilley, Edward Tom ..	"	.. Lance-Corporal; Corporal, 3.6.01
241. Templeton, Robert ..	"	
242. Tucker, William George ..	"	
244. Vincent, Alfred Henry ..	"	
246. Williams, Percy Augustus ..	"	
247. Whiting, Stephen Daly ..	"	
248. Williams, Francis Hyld ..	"	
249. Watson, Frederick ..	"	
251. Wade, Percy ..	"	
252. Warburton, John ..	"	.. Died from wounds, 9.5.01
253. Whiley, Harry ..	"	
254. Witherington, Laurence Hernsted ..	"	
255. Wilson, Reginald Collins ..	"	
257. Youl, Thomas Arndel ..	"	
112. Willoughby, —. ..	"	.. Lance-Corporal, 28.4.01; Acting Quartermaster-Sergeant, 22.5.01
103. Taylor, —. ..	"	.. Lance-Corporal, 28.4.01
20. Brownell, —. ..	"	.. Lance-Corporal, 28.4.01. <i>Vide</i> "Promotions"
359. Phegan, J. ..	"	.. Died of disease, 3.12.01

No. 2 COMPANY.

Officers.

Spencer, Thomas Alfred ..	Captain	
Hallam, Harry ..	Lieutenant ..	Previous service in 1st Contingent
Swan, Morton Henry ..	" ..	Previous service in 1st Contingent
Chalmers, Frederic Royden ..	2nd Lieutenant ..	Previous service in 1st Contingent
Brent, Rupert Delamere ..	"	

N.C.O.'s and Men.

334. Suche, Alfred James Parnell ..	Colour-Sergeant..	<i>Vide</i> "Promotions"
196. McLean, Murdie ..	Farrier-Sergeant	
290. Manning, William James ..	Sergeant	

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No. and Name.	Rank.	Remarks.
<i>No. 2 COMPANY—continued.</i>		
<i>N.C.O.'s and Men—continued.</i>		
328. Wise, Percy Frederick ..	Private ..	Acting Quartermaster-Sergeant, 22.5.01
357. Meredith, Charles Christopher ..	" ..	
342. Beresford, Cyril Walter ..	" ..	Quartermaster-Sergeant, 7.10.01
141. Chepmell, Henry Douglas ..	Corporal ..	Sergeant, 22.6.01
308. Page, Julian Lambert Russell ..	" ..	
313. Sherrin, Oscar Herbert ..	" ..	
298. Morgan, Evan ..	" ..	
264. Birchall, Stephen ..	" ..	
278. Hunt, Arthur Erskine ..	" ..	Sergeant, 6.2.02
292. Murphy, James ..	Lance-Corporal ..	Corporal, 1.8.01 ; Sergeant, 16.10.01 ; Commander-in-Chief's despatches, 23.6.02
272. Edwards, William Alfred ..	" ..	Corporal, 10.10.01
271. Evans, Alexander Arthur ..	" ..	Corporal, 6.2.02
143. Chilcot, Chas. Ernest ..	" ..	Corporal, 21.9.01
265. Bingley, Arthur ..	Shoeing-Smith ..	
263. Blackwell, Walter ..	" ..	
267. Coombe, Edward ..	Saddler ..	
287. King, Jacob Archibald ..	Bugler ..	
262. Ballantyne, Robert ..	" ..	
261. Bell, Rd. Patrick ..	Private ..	
123. Bevan, Archibald Joseph ..	" ..	
132. Breward, George ..	" ..	
343. Barnard, Walter ..	" ..	
126. Barron, Edward ..	" ..	Corporal, Field Hospital, 22.6.01
147. Curtain, Edward Allan Michael ..	" ..	
266. Corrigan, Leslie James ..	" ..	
268. Cawthorn, Charles ..	" ..	Commander-in-Chief's despatches, 23.6.02
269. Cleary, Walter James ..	" ..	
344. Cowell, Francis Gilbert ..	" ..	Died of disease, 25.11.01
270. Dowd, Thomas ..	" ..	
338. Donnelly, Daniel ..	" ..	
153. Emery, Percy Alexander ..	" ..	
273. Froot, Alfred Leslie ..	" ..	
340. Grant, Archibald James ..	" ..	
149. Hughes, James Leigh ..	" ..	
171. Hunter, Albert Ernest ..	" ..	
172. Huttley, Leonard Percy ..	" ..	Died of disease, 14.2.01
274. Higgs, Edmund ..	" ..	
275. Hunt, Algernon Ashbury ..	" ..	
276. Hildyard, George Gerald ..	" ..	
277. Hewitt, Walter ..	" ..	
279. Hart, Richard John ..	" ..	
280. Hill, John ..	" ..	
356. Haines, Edward Ernest ..	" ..	
281. Iles, Richard ..	" ..	
282. Ibbotson, Frederick Nelson ..	" ..	Shoeing-Smith, 1.7.01
355. Ibbot, Stephen Mears ..	" ..	
181. Jones, Harold Percival ..	" ..	
283. Johnson, James William ..	" ..	
284. Johnson, Hedley Mitchell ..	" ..	
285. Joyce, Joshua James ..	" ..	
337. Jones, Archibald ..	" ..	
358. Joyce, Joseph Clarence ..	" ..	
286. Kearns, Thomas ..	" ..	
192. Leslie, Thomas Henry ..	" ..	
288. Loane, Norman Edward ..	" ..	
289. Lyall, Alexander George ..	" ..	

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No. and Name.	Rank.	Remarks.
No. 2 COMPANY— <i>continued.</i> N.C.O.'s and Men— <i>continued.</i>		
351. Lawler, Harry	Private	
207. Mason, William	"	
291. Maxfield, James	"	
293. McKercher, George	"	
294. Moyle, William Thomas	"	
295. Morley, George	"	
296. Matheus, Stewart	"	
297. Murray, Aubrey	"	
341. McGrath, Martin	"	
345. Munro, James Lindsay	"	
346. Massey, James	"	
350. Moore, James Laurence Armitstead	"	.. Acting Orderly-Room Sergeant, 22.5.01
353. Marshall, George	"	
299. North, Joseph	"	
300. North, William Henry	"	.. Invalided and awarded pension
301. Nolan, Aron	"	
302. Norman, Sydney Herbert Louis	"	.. Lance-Corporal, 28.4.01 ; Corporal, 22.6.01
354. Nicholson, Alfred	"	
303. O'Shea, James	"	
304. Olding, John Thomas	"	
215. Page, Francis Neville	"	
305. Pedder, Joseph	"	
306. Page, Dudley Harold	"	
307. Page, Charles Hale	"	
223. Reardon, James Tasman	"	
309. Reid, Ernest Charles	"	
310. Richardson, Montague Claude	"	
311. Reading, Patrick	"	
312. Reid, John	"	
227. Scoll, Wm. Charles Stewart	"	
314. Stewart, Kenneth Henry	"	
315. Salter, William Hobart	"	
316. Smith, William Arthur	"	
317. Scritchley, William Edmund	"	
318. Smith, John Robert	"	
319. Scadon, Robert William	"	
320. Sutton, Roland Thomas	"	
321. Scott, Alfred Henry	"	
335. Sommervill, William	"	
339. Sargeant, Dudley Herbert	"	
352. Sutor, Alban	"	
239. Tayler, Walter Alfred Chas.	"	
322. Thompson, Percy Robert	"	
323. Thompson, William	"	
324. Turner, Albert Edward	"	
245. Waddle, Percy Chas. Emanuel	"	
325. Webb, Frederick Henry	"	
326. White, George	"	
327. Watson, Robert	"	
329. Wilson, John William	"	
330. Wright, Francis William	"	
331. White, Edward Henry	"	
332. Weeding, John James	"	
333. Waller, William Albert	"	
336. Wilkinson, Harry George	"	
347. Whittle, John Woods	"	
348. Wilkins, John William	"	
349. White, William	"	

NOTE.—No complete record could be obtained for this Contingent of casualties other than deaths.