

LT. BELL FELL WHILE LEADING HIS MEN

Letter Received in Toronto Gives
Particulars of St. Thomas
Officer's Death.

Toronto, Oct. 10 —(Special to The Times)—How Lieut. Wm. D. Bell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Bell of St. Thomas, met his death in France is told in a letter describing the death of Corporal Ivor Cox, of this city. The letter is from Lieut. A. E. Spendlove, officer in charge of the machine gun section to which Corp. Cox belonged.

"Sept. 15, early in the morning," writes the lieutenant, "we had orders to advance and charge the enemy. Corp. Cox jumped over the parapet in front of his men, by the side of his sub-section officer, Lieut. Wm. D. Bell, of St. Thomas, Ont., who was leading the party. As they charged toward the Germans, Dr. Bell fell, shot through the head. Corp. Cox, thinking the officer was wounded, stopped and leaned over him to find out if there was anything he could do. While in this act a bullet went through his heart, killing him instantly."