

EXTRACT FROM LETTER FROM MAJOR GENERAL SIR NOEL BERESFORD PEIRSE,  
March 3rd, 1941.

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" You will be sorry to hear young Bamber is dead. He was Captain of Sam Hall's Battery..... Bamber had taken a troop forward to a night harassing position, fired off his guns, and was coming back in the leading gun tractor along the main road in the pitch dark. They rounded a corner, found a broken down truck in their way, swerved, and the tractor fell off the edge of the road about 30 ft. vertically down the khud. None of the men inside were really hurt, but Bamber who was standing up with his head out at the top, quite correctly, was crushed and died on the way to the Advanced Dressing Station.

"I had visited his Battery only 3 days before, and talked to him. He has done exceedingly well down here, and I was told that he simply did not know the meaning of fear. Apart from being a very charming boy himself, he is a great loss to the R.A. here. During the recent fighting outside ----- he had run his O.P. very well indeed, and was a thoroughly good and above the average Battery Captain.

"I am frightfully sorry for his wife."