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IS B DURNFORD DONGA PAN	PANORAMA TAKEN FROM DURNFORDS DONGA	© ZULU ODYSSEY	GPS 28°21' 51.2529"S 30°40' 3.8969"E	SONY A99 [71MP] {94"x 8"}
IS B DURNFORD DONGA PAN ORIG AN	" " AS IT WAS IN 1879 ANOITATED	© ZULU ODYSSEY	GPS 28°21' 51.2529"S 30°40' 3.8969"E	SONY A99 [118MP] {94"x 14"}
IS B DURNFORD DONGA PAN TD	PANORAMA SHOWING THE ZULU APPROACH TO DURNFORDS DONGA	© ZULU ODYSSEY	GPS 28°21' 51.2529"S 30°40' 3.8969"E	SONY A99 [118MP] {94"x 14"}
IS B DURNFORDS DONGA PAN TD. [A]	" " <i>SHOWING ZULU FRONTAL ASSAULTS AND OUTFLANKING MOVE</i>	© ZULU ODYSSEY	GPS 28°21' 51.2529"S 30°40' 3.8969"E	SONY A99 [118MP] {94"x 14"}

DURNFORDS DONGA

IS B DURNFORD DONGA PAN TD Shows the approach of the inGabamokosi and uVe regiments to Durnfords final donga lets go to Mehlokazulu who describes it in great detail " **They commenced firing as we came over the small hill looking down upon the camp, and before we had entered the camp at all. They came to assist the Carbineers in the donga into the body of the Zulu army. Four shots were fired at the inGabamokosi they turned and fired at the uMbonambi also. I don't know how many shots they fired at them, they fired very quickly not at one, but at all three regiments, they must of fired ten to twenty shots**" [1]. So as we have determined from the Panorama taken from Amatutshane the inGabamokosi regiment moved from down the notch behind the Conical hill to the donga and after they passed conical 4 shots were fired at the inGabamokosi regiment later on he states only 4 men died from these 4 canon shots this could only have happened as the second gun moved to get a better field of view. It also states that the uMbonambi regiment followed from behind but was fired upon more often. He also mentions that they came to assist the Carbineers in the donga this could well be the Newcastle mounted rifles and the Buffalo border guard sent by Colonel Pulleine to reinforce Durnford in the donga. After reaching the donga Mehlokazulu could even see the position of each troop detachment in the Donga " **The Edendale men were in this donga, but we did not see the Basutos the former were mixed up with the Carbineers**" [1]" so why then could they not see the Basutos open the Pan and you will see the donga turns towards Isandlwana and they must have been stationed beyond the turn, out of Mehlokazulu sight.

IS B DURNFORD DONGA PAN TD [A] This Pan shows the frontal assaults the Zulu made at the donga to try to remove the British from the donga lets go to Mehlokazulu **again** "When we found that we could not drive the soilders out of the donga, we extended our horn to the bottom of the donga, the lower part crossing and advancing on to the camp in a semicircle. When the mounted men saw this they came out of the donga and galloped to the camp" [1] . The historical record states that the British left the donga due to ammunition shortages but this happened at the same time the Zulu was pulling this move of. Also Trooper Edwards from the Carbineers confirm this " **The men began to realise the helpless position in which we landed. Suddenly one of them shouted hoarsely " The Zulus are in the camp and they were with a vengeance. Then came the order, whipped out grimly " stand to your horses; retire to camp we all dashed for our horses"** [2] . Mehlokazulu saw what happened straight after they got on there horses " **When they were rising out of the donga and retreating to the camp we shot two Carbineers**" [1]. It has always been my desire to find out which of the Carbineers was shot as they left the donga and it can be found in Trooper Barker testimony but only the full account found on page 103 of Rev John Stalker The Natal Carbineers it **states " I forgot to mention that at Helpmaker five other Carbineers had arrived, three having escaped by Fugitives Drift, but we did not meet them as we were escaping, Edwards, Sibthorpe, and Muirhead, the latter having seen the last of poor Macleroy, who had been wounded in the thigh early in the day"** [3]. George Macleroy tried to escape but fell of his horse due to loss of blood less than a mile from the saddle the place where he died has been marked by a headstone

On my next visit I will take more pans from the vedette position opposite the donga it will show a more complete elevated view of this donga

[1] Statement by Mehlokozulu. Norris Newman, In Zululand with the British Army

[Witnesses of Isandlwana pages 372 – 376]

[2] Trooper Edwards Natal Carbineers . Natal Advertiser 19th January 1929

[Witnesses of Isandlwana pages 260 – 263]

[3] Trooper Barker Natal Carbineers. Published in Stalkers Natal Carbineers

[Witnesses of Isandlwana pages 263 – 268]