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SHOULD NOT BE FORGOTTEN

Deeds of New England Men, if Truly Recorded, Are Surely Worth Note in History.

A correspondent in Buenos Aires—his letter is dated September 20—asks if we ever heard of "Captain Smylie," a historic figure on the Falkland Islands about forty years ago.

"Captain Smylie," he writes, "was at one time a New England whaler. For him are named Smylie channel and Smylietown, which may be seen on the chart. He afterward became United States consul. Strange stories of his doings survive and are told on the Falkland Islands to this day. A late British governor of the islands collected some of the stories, but I cannot learn that they were published. One was to the effect that our state department decided to remove him from office and sent a successor, who, when he called to present his credentials and demand the seal, was kicked out by the captain. The United States government had finally to send a warship to remove Smylie.

"Another story is that Captain Smylie was publicly flogged by order of the British governor for some misdoing. As the captain later sailed away he planted two shots from his ship's small gun into the governor's residence. Returning after a six-months' cruise, he sent a letter of apology to the governor, adding that he had discovered a wreck and recovered some fine tapestries and furniture, which he thought the governor might wish; if he would come on board he might have his choice of them. The governor came on board with two guards, who were promptly overpowered and sent ashore. Captain Smylie then put to sea with the governor, whom he made do the cooking for the crew of the whaler for several months.

"A friend lately returned from the Falklands tells me that several of the old islanders vouch for the truth of these stories."

Does any one of our readers know anything about this restless captain, who as a humorist would have enjoyed the company of one Bower, an English journalist, mentioned in Sutherland Edwards' "Recollections." This Bower on a Paris boulevard once pinched a strange lady's leg and ran an old gentleman along the street for a considerable distance by the breech of the trousers and the scruff of the neck. He finally varied his amusements by a murder.—Philip Hale in Boston Herald.

glimpse of the war in 1914 and October 29, 1917, are being manufactured in Switzerland by order of the king and queen of the Belgians.

The watches, which bear inset in gold on the cases the monogram "A E" of the Belgian sovereigns, are to be presented by King Albert and Queen Elizabeth to soldiers who have specially distinguished themselves and also to prize winners of military competitions.

The Last Request.

Leader of Lynching Party in Far West—You got anything to say before we string you up?

The Condemned Man (apologetic)—If it ain't too much trouble I'd like to have you trim the end of the rope where it's frayed; it tickles me neck.—Idem.

Patriotic.

"See how Bill's wife is stamping her foot at him for wearing out the carpet by not wiping his feet."

"Yes; those are regular thrift stamps."

REMARKABLE CASE OF FEAR

Illustrating How Panic Will for a Time Unnerve Even Soldier of Proved Bravery.

A French lieutenant of artillery, Pierre Jandrop, who distinguished himself at the battle of Verdun and was subsequently decorated with the croix de guerre for bravery in rescuing a comrade under fire, told the writer of a peculiar case of fear, which apparently was cowardice. It proved to be otherwise.

"I have studied psychology; I am interested in the how a man act under fire and I want to know the reason he act so," he prefaced.

"The shells burst here, there, all where; there was plenty of noise. A shell burst here (indicating a near-by spot on the floor) and a poilu put his hands up and ran away. 'That is funny,' I say to me.

"I ran after him. 'What for you run?' I say. He do not answer. So I pull his hands down. His eyes are all white. He don't know me; he afraid all over. What you call him in English? Ah, yes, ze panic. He 'traid, yes, but he are not a coward. No, he lose 'hemself in ze noise. He what you call in ze foany papers, 'Nobody home,' he laughed.

"It is ze noise," Jandrop resumed seriously. "He ran away from ze noise; not from ze shell, ze bullets. No, no," he continued with an expressive flip of his hands. "One had but half a quota of fingers. 'I say, 'Come wiz me, we go back.' We go back. And ze boche, he suddenly stop ze shells. No more noise. But he commence wiz the machine gun. When ze large noise stop, ze man forget to be 'traid, and he pomp away at ze boche wiz his rifle. He laugh and shout 'Die!' at ze boche.

Apparently the man was afraid of the noise, not of death; for later he courted it. Jandrop said, by exposing himself to attract the fire of the boche, who, when he fired, would be exposed, too.

Lieutenant Jandrop was the only one of nine officers to survive when an enemy shell dropped in the middle of their breakfast table. He was badly injured, lay out, and rushed to a hospital, where he remained for months, part of the time speechless, sightless and deaf from shell shock; he sustained some wounds in addition.—Eugene L. Harrison in Physical Culture.

A German Deal.

Robert W. Boyce, president of the New York Republican club, said the other day:

"It's a good thing to write a square deal for little nations into the peace treaty. Little nations in the past have certainly got the small end of it.

"They've been treated, especially by Germany, as Jobbins was treated by Battling Hill.

"Battling Hill borrowed Jobbins' best black trousers from him, and then, on one excuse or another, wouldn't give them back. A month passed, and Jobbins sent an urgent messenger to Hill.

"He must have them trousers back today, Battling," said the messenger. 'He's going to a funeral.'

"They ain't fit to wear to a funeral now," said Battling Hill. 'I've been workin' in the boiler shop in 'em.'

"Oh, dear," said the messenger. 'What is poor Mr. Jobbins to do, then?' "Do?" said Battling Hill. 'Why, let him do the same as I done—borrow a pair.'

Cinnamon Oil for Influenza.

Oil of cinnamon has a very favorable effect on the temperature and shortens the convalescence period. Patients who usually suffer from marked weakness for several days after an attack of influenza regain their strength very rapidly when treated with cinnamon oil, and are able to take up their occupations on the second or third day. Twelve drops of oil are given in half a tumblerful of water, and the dose is repeated in one hour, then ten drops are given regularly every two hours until the temperature has dropped to normal. When the fever has gone ten drops should be given three times a day during the following 24 or 48 hours. When influenza is thus treated from the very outset—that is, within the first three or four hours—the temperature becomes normal within 12 hours; if the treatment is begun late it may require 24 or 36 hours to obtain this result.

"Doughboy."

There seems to be very little known on the subject of the origin of the appellation "doughboy." An English attempt, however, has been made to trace its origin, but with indifferent success. Colonel Repton, in the London Post of October 5, ultimo, says: "If I have a preference, it is likely for the 'doughboys'; the doughy American infantry. I believe that the name comes from a Spanish word, and was given by the American cavalry to the infantry during the old Mexican war, because the infantry was usually covered with dust. It does not matter, but doughboys they are and will remain. They are mighty fine infantry. They are soaked with the offensive spirit."

Soldiers' Rations Costly.

According to figures given out by General Smith of the quartermaster's department, it costs almost three times as much to feed an American soldier today as it did in the Spanish war. The cost in 1898 was 12.81 cents a day. Now it is 32 cents. The ration is a fixed standard, and accordingly the cost figures have mounted steadily in recent years.

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