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A CAREER IS LIVING.

IT HAS remained for a woman of about 66 years, who arrived in New York recently on the last stretch of a journey around the world, to bring us about the most stirring message that has come from a woman's lips this year.

"Lord deliver us from slothfulness. A career is just living. Success does not come from anything you do, but because of what you are. I fear slothfulness more than anything.

That is indeed the end. We don't know that slothfulness is any more apt to attack a woman than a man, but in either case it is deadly.

WITH THE TEA AND THE TOAST

GOOD EVENING.

What would be wanting to make this world a kingdom of heaven, if that tender, profound and self-denying love, practiced and recommended by Jesus, were paramount in every heart?

DID YOU?

Did you give him a lift? He's a brother of man, And bearing about all the burden he can.

Did you give him a smile? He was downcast and blue, And the smile would have helped him to battle it through.

Did you give him your hand? He was slipping down hill, And the world, so I fancied, was using him ill.

Did you give him a word? Did you show him the road, Or did you just let him go on with his load?

Do you know what it means to be losing the fight, When a lift just in time might set everything right?

Do you know what it means—just the clasp of a hand, When a man's borne about all a man ought to stand?

Some Coos Bay people never pay anything because they feel they owe so much to themselves.

We never know what we can do until we try and sometimes it isn't wise to try.

Many a Coos Bay woman is thoroughly satisfied with her husband because she doesn't know any better.

STORY FOR THE DAY.

She was crying as if her little heart were breaking, and the Sidewalk Tourist, passing by, asked the wee bit of a miss what troubled her.

World's Greatest War From Day To Day

LIFE ALONG THE BATTLE LINE

(By Associated Press to Coos Bay Times.)

LONDON, Dec. 28.—Miseries of life in the trenches are vividly pictured in a story written by an English soldier who is on the Belgian frontier.

It isn't the danger that affects one in the trenches, but the hardships of cold and damp. Bullets from snipers—the Germans have lots of these out at night and day—whizz about your ears continually, and occasionally shrapnel makes one tuck one's head down.

The water in the machine guns freezes and they have to be nursed back to action in front of fires. Rifles get frostbitten and sometimes are ruptured by the sudden shock consequent of being fired.

The water bottles freeze, too, and have to be thawed out. Water is a nuisance. It has to be fetched by night by fatigue parties from farms and villages in the rear, a process which takes sometimes two or three hours.

It is extraordinary how ingenious the men are in contriving things for their comfort. They cut little fireplaces in the side of the trench, line them with tin from ammunition boxes, and top them neatly with chimneys made of bully-beef tins.

The food is plentiful and good. The crying need is for milk and fruit. Plenty of tobacco and cigarettes are to be had. There is a dearth of things to read and it is considered rank treason to light a fire with a piece of newspaper.

We spend a few days in the trenches and then a few days in reserve in the villages in the rear.

The relieving, of course, has to be done at night. It is an eerie job. You march along as noiselessly as possible to within half a mile of the rear, where you are met by a guide and taken in single file through an interminable winding communication trench, full of roots and mud.

Then at a sort of Piccadilly Circus in the rear of the fighting line, the companies branch to their various posts and are shepherded in until each man of the relieving force stands behind another that is to be relieved.

The men exchange pleasantries in hoarse whispers and the officers exchange news and explain the special points of the position.

A pathetic sight in the rear of all the trenches is the occasional plain wooden crosses marking the grave of some victim of the sniper or shrapnel bullet.

I bagged my first German yesterday, and a curiously primitive feeling of elation it is to shoot one.

"Yesterday a brother officer, who was examining the German trenches with my field glasses, told me he could see the smoke of a German bivouac in a little neck of woods behind their trenches.

"We lack nothing," he says. "For three days I have eaten delicious beef à la mode, which they brought me cold in a little pot.

"Yesterday a brother officer, who was examining the German trenches with my field glasses, told me he could see the smoke of a German bivouac in a little neck of woods behind their trenches.

Women and children, whose clothing was left behind in the rush to escape, have been the first care of M. Schoellart.

The refugees have been spread pretty well over France in order to prevent congestion in the cities and to provide more opportunities for self support.

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