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CROSBY, THE RAW RECRUIT

By JAMES F. DWYER

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AN OCCASIONAL bullet whistled through the thick, hot air and plunged into the sand bank behind which Crosby crouched. He shivered as he listened to the ghostly buzz of the Mauser pellets, and he pondered deeply upon the peculiar nature of his imagination, which persisted in picturing those flying bullets as red atoms tingling the atmosphere through which they ripped a track. This distorted visual image puzzled Crosby. He knew that a bullet was not red, yet every time he heard the ping of the leaden messengers, his imagination made an attempt to overwhelm the impressions recorded by his eyes. It was a very peculiar manifestation, and, try as he would, he could not prevent his fancy from building up the impression again and again. He took the cartridges from his bandolier, examined the brass shells with their half-exposed bullets with his own eyes, and then became disgusted when imagination pictured a rose-pink trail directly above his head where a slug had gone whistling over the gray veil.

All through the long forenoon he had crouched in the little crater on the summit of the sand dune, peering out across the hurrying waters of the river which the rays of a yellow sun stabbed relentlessly. He was perfectly safe, but his teeth chattered as he rolled about in the shallow basin or looked cautiously over the edge of the bank opposite, where a thin blue mist like a Peri's veil hung above the spot where the enemy lay concealed.

Why had he stopped there? Again and again he asked himself the question. At daybreak his company had marched up from the river bank, the great, gray veils, cool and solemn, stretching invitingly before them. Then came the first scattered fusillade from the opposite bank. Johnstone, Crosby's mate, pitched forward on his face and lay still. The big Welsh corporal muttered a curse as he swung round toward the river, flung his arms into the air and dropped on his knees. It was terrible. The company had their backs turned to the unseen foe, and Crosby, a raw recruit only five days off the transport that brought him from Plymouth to Table Bay, remembered at that moment a trick played upon him twenty years before when a schoolmate dropped an icicle inside his shirt collar.

Then the sun-tanned officer, keenly alive to the danger, ordered the men to double, and they doubled eagerly. It was their first baptism of fire, and, as there was not a particle of cover available, their speed lay in speed. It was at that moment that Crosby stumbled into the little crater in the sand dune where the noonday sun poured a vertical fire upon him six hours afterwards. He had made an effort to follow his comrades, but, as he struggled out of the pit, three more men fell under the fire of the Boer sharpshooters. Crosby's imagination immediately pointed out the danger to which he, a solitary figure, would be exposed if he attempted to join the rank, and that imagination, which is the parent of cowardice, dragged him back into the little hole over which the enemy's bullets whistled. Five minutes afterwards the company was half a mile away, while on the river bank there were ten dead men and one live one who was virtually a prisoner in a pit four feet deep.

Then Crosby committed a blunder that was further proof of a coward's soul. Finding that he was safe from the enemy's fire, he threw his rifle over the ridge of his shelter and blazed wildly at the bank opposite. How he regretted that blunder as the morning rolled slowly by! If he had remained quiet, the hidden enemy would not have known that the little pit concealed a foe, but the fusillade that followed informed him that he would be a prisoner while the light lasted. Occasionally he tested the watchfulness of the foe, and now he shuddered as he contemplated the three holes in the pith helmet which had been displayed when his head was not inside it.

He looked up at the blue dome above him, and pictured the bare veils beneath till he compared his own position with that of the stuffed kingfisher beneath the big glass globe on his aunt's table in Truro. The kingfisher was really better off. He had passed the last stage of suffering, while Crosby still had a horrible fear of the rifleman on the other side of the swiftly flowing river. As the day rolled slowly by he became nervous and peevish. He asked himself why they stayed. What right had they, twenty bloodthirsty Boers, to sit down and wait patiently till his head appeared above the edge of the pit? It wasn't war—it was murder. He, Algernon Crosby, head teller

Silk Centuries Old in British Museum

Some of the most interesting pieces of silk in the world, material approximately 1,900 years old, are now on view at the British museum, and modern women are entranced by the specimens of late years are in direct descent from those ancient Chinese fabrics. A little bag of silk buried with some wanderer from China in the Loulan cemetery somewhere about the beginning of the Christian era, is not much more than an inch long, but it has little draw strings from which the remainder of tassels dangle. Other relics from the Loulan graves include pastry placed in the tombs of Chinese travelers about the Seventh century A. D. Delicate little bluecups, pierced and worked until they looked like dilgrge buckles, had been prepared for the comfort of the dead traveler, and they are in a wonderful state of preservation today. "They look good enough to eat now," declared many visitors.—New York World.

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of the County bank, whose patriotic soul had been stirred by the words of "The Boys of the Bulldog Breed" and "The Absent-minded Beggar," had never imagined cold-blooded warfare of the type he was then taking a hand in. A Mephistophelean self assured him that he was the absent-minded beggar when he dropped back into the hole instead of taking the chance to rejoin his company, and the self-made sneer did not improve his temper. Again he blazed wildly at the opposite bank, and again the foe displayed excellent marksmanship by dusting the recruit with sand thrown up by burrowing bullets. The imprisoned man felt that the action of twenty men in waiting patiently to murder one was not above criticism.

And then Crosby's imagination would persist in picturing those pellets that came from the opposite bank in a hue that Crosby knew was ridiculous. He was annoyed with his imagination. He was annoyed with the sneering self that pictured him as the living embodiment of Kipling's "Absent-minded Beggar." He was annoyed with the sane, respectable Crosby that reckoned upon the interest on thirty-nine pounds nineteen shillings and nine-pence three farthings for three and three-quarters years at two and five-eighths per cent quicker than any other clerk in the County bank. It was really the laziness of that Crosby that had evolved the warlike Crosby that came oversea to capture Piet and Hans and Dirk, who were giving Thomas Atkins a considerable amount of trouble to subdue. Crosby was actually revolting against Crosby. There were in his inmost soul innumerable battles between the three Crosbys that were now at loggerheads, and his nervousness increased. He was not a coward, but he was highly imaginative, and the result is the same. The nicely pierced holes in the white helmet took on the appearance of eyes that studied his pale face and shaking hands. His hands had been white and well-manicured when he left Truro, but the few days under the South African sun had tinted them the color of a freshly boiled lobster. Crosby cursed his own stupidity, cursed the fat recruiting sergeant who said he would make a fine soldier, cursed the transport that had brought him across the Atlantic, and the sun-tanned officer who had led him into the ambushade.

The sun's rays came down in a perpendicular shower upon him. He buried his tingling face in the sand and prayed for night. He would creep away in the night—run away across the veils till he overtook his comrades. He would tell them of his adventure and they would laugh heartily at his cunning. It was while he was composing a little account for the amusement of those comrades that his eyes, sheltered beneath the helmet, detected a slight movement on the ridge of the sand pit. He jerked his legs back hurriedly when his eyes informed his brain of what they saw, and the sudden movement brought down much sand and also a harmless green snake that had been crawling along the edge. Crosby yelled, and the snake picked itself up and attempted to beat a hasty retreat. Unfortunately, the sand was very dry, and the snake found it a difficult job to climb out. He after time it rolled to the bottom of the hole, and each time it fell Crosby yelled. He had never met a snake in such close quarters and his nerves were not in a fit state to receive the visit. The snake was disgusted. Four times it made an attempt to scale the bank, and four times it fell back. Then it noticed Crosby's leg, and with serpent wisdom, immediately recognized that the ascent could be made much easier by that route.

Crosby screamed, but the snake was irritable. For just a moment the recruit forgot the foe on the opposite bank as he clawed the edge of the pit and pulled his body out of the hole. Across the river three rifles spoke together, but only Crosby fell back into the hole—the annoyed snake was sliding away across the veils, congratulating himself in a snaky way that he had reached the top before Crosby toppled over.

Not Proficient Sir Samuel Hoare, British air minister, tells this story: An Arab sheik was being taken across a very bumpy patch of desert in Transjordan in a flivver and so bad was the going that at last the car overturned and the sheik was thrown out.

Instead of turning in wrath upon his driver, the Arab picked himself up and apologized profusely, saying: "I am so sorry, I have not learned to ride one of these things yet."

Served Fifty-Six Years Results of a competition held in England for long service among domestics in any one family revealed the fact that Miss Elizabeth Zutter had been employed in the household of the duke of Portland for more than 50 years. Miss Butler was awarded first prize. All the other winners of prizes or of honorable mention had seen 47 years' service in the same family.

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Animal Species. The biologist, Hunter, estimated that there were 518,000 species in the animal kingdom divided into 18 classes. The different insects are numbered 350,000 or over two-thirds of the total number of species in the animal world. There are 13,000 fishes, 1,400 amphibians, 3,500 reptiles, 13,000 birds and 3,500 mammals.

Attitude for Success. He that would relish success to a good purpose should keep his passions cool and his expectations low; and then it is possible that his fortune might exceed his fancy; for an advantage always rises by surprise and is almost always doubled by being unlooked for.—Ohio State Journal.

Early Lighthouse. The first lighthouse built by the United States as an independent government is at Cape Henry, at the entrance of Chesapeake bay. It was finished in 1792, when fish oil was used for lighting, sperm oil being substituted in 1810.

Lotus Gingerbread. The legendary lotus, the fruit of which made Ulysses' sailors forget their homes, is supposed to have been the same plant now used by natives of northern Africa to make sun-dried cakes which taste like gingerbread.—Science Service.

Lamp Burned Long. A funeral lamp placed in the year 45 B. C. in the tomb of Tullia, daughter of the great Roman orator Cicero, and wife of Diabella, is said to have been kept burning constantly for 1,500 years.

Quaint Custom. By a curious law dating back to 1775, all the grapes left on the vines after the harvest in the vineyard at Beziers, France, go to the benefit of the poor and the owners can be fined for picking the culls.

Mankind's Oddities. Mankind are very odd creatures; one-kind censure what they practice, the other half practice what they censure; the rest always say and do as they ought.—Benjamin Franklin.

Relativity Again. Some of the sun spots are said to be thousands of miles in diameter, and yet think of the fuss a girl makes over an ordinary freckle.—Boston Transcript.

After the Smash Up. "It's a terrible mess. I am smashed up. The car is smashed up. My hopes are smashed up. The only thing that remains intact is the bill for the car!"—Lustige Blatter, Berlin.

Mahogany. Loggers of mahogany settled British Honduras more than 200 years ago, and today the wood is still the important factor in the colony's business life.

English Poets Laureate. Geoffrey Chaucer, who lived from 1328 to 1400, was the first to assume the title of poet laureate of England. As early as the reign of Henry III there had been a versificator regis or king's poet.

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Business Propaganda. You can't always tell about anything; maybe there is a sleeper in the statement, and just as like as not the man who broadcast the opinion that pedestrians have the right of way and don't have to hop around to avoid being run over by a motorcar is an attorney who is looking for damage suits to settle.—Albany Press.

The Fool's Fire. Every morning in the country forest fires burn up the equivalent of a bushel basket full of \$10 bills. When the last bill is in ashes our daily waste of \$100,000 is accomplished and we square away for the day's work to replace with thought and sweat what folly has destroyed.—Colliers.

Knowledge and Power. Knowledge is power when applied to purpose, that is, when it is used; for, in and of itself, it is incapable of accomplishing anything. He who uses knowledge wisely is a benefactor to his fellow man.—Grit.

The Barefoot Explorers. Two boys, eight and eleven, started out of the city to explore the world. Both were barefooted. It is the way of explorers—always forgetting something.—Public Ledger.

Old University. The oldest university under the United States flag is Santo Tomas university in Manila, founded by the Dominican friars in 1605. The friars still conduct the university.

The Same Woman. The kind of mother who used to say her twelve-year-old daughter was six, so she could travel on half fare, now says she's sixteen, so she can drive the car.—Ohio State Journal.

Does No Actual Harm. Giving advice to farmers is a popular diversion and it is perfectly safe because the farmer is too sensible to follow the suggestions.—Miami Herald.

Home Team. Ad in Chicago paper—"Widow with five would like to meet widower with four children. Object, baseball."—Boston Transcript.

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