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The bliss of dying so!

If you could speak! Yet she will know
What made your faces wet, although
I fain would follow you and tell her.
There go, and die, yet never know
To what a heaven you go!

—Kate Vannah.

THE MAN WHO BRAGGED.

His name was Phineas Ellsworth, but we boys at the "HX" ranch called him Billy Brag, for reasons which ten minutes' conversation with him would make obvious, even to a total stranger. To say that he was opinionated is drawing it very mild, and to state that the chief cut of his opinions was the particularly excellent one he held of himself is superfluous.

These were humdrum, monotonous days at the "HX," and there was scant opportunity for Billy to exhibit the courage, prowess, skill, ability, and so forth, which—we had his own oft repeated statements for it—he possessed to a remarkable degree.

Once in awhile something would happen to relieve the monotony, but Billy, somehow or other, was never on deck to show what he was worth. He always turned up afterward with: "Huh! you gaboots jes make me sick all over! Wy any bloomin tenderfoot c'd a sol' ye better'n that!" or, "That wuz a fool trick. Now, if I'd been thar I'd a did so an so!" or, "Huh! d'ye call that anythin ter meushun? Wy, back thar, on th' Keya Paha, we used t' let th' kids an wimmen do that kind o' work."

And so it went for nearly a year, and though we invented many a plan to give Billy an opportunity to show his worth, he managed, on one pretext or another, to keep out of our snares.

One day Cale Snelling, who was out looking up some stays, fell in with a Maverick steer feeding in a coulee, and thinking at first that it was an "HX" critter rode toward it. But the beast was what is known as a "bad un," and horns down and bellowing with rage he turned and charged on the startled cowboy. Cale tried to turn his pony and run, but the animal was green and only reared and snorted. Cale thought he was about to take a place herding clouds, but he yanked his gun and let go, catching the steer right between the eyes, and dropping it not more than ten feet away.

Cale was a bit new to the business, and he was rather pale when he rode up to the ranch and related his experience, but there was a triumphant tone in his voice as he told of his successful shot from the back of a bucking pony.

Billy listened with a superior air. "Huh!" he remarked disdainfully, "whad'je wanter kill 'im fer? Ye'd jes 'a well 'creased an roped 'im. Some folks never her no r'gard fer propty. Waste not, want nothin."

We all groaned and proceeded to congratulate Cale on his luck, but Bill did not seem to care. He was getting used to our irreverence. It may be noted, however, that when we tried next morning to get Billy to take a galloping shot at the stripe in a blanket nailed onto a shed door, to see how near he could have come to "creasing" a mad steer from the back of a fool pony, our proposition met with scorn. "There ye go agin," said Billy. "What's th' blame use o' wastin er whole lot o' cartridges jes' t' convince er mess o' gabbin sciote thas er thing kin be did? Aw, git off an try poundin sen in her rat hole fer yer wits. Bet ye earn't even do that." And he rode off, much offended.

When Joe Fleming, brother of the boss, and Hank Barr had a brush with half a dozen Indians, and just escaped with their lives, leaving a bunch of fat cattle to be run off by Uncle Sam's dear sweet protegés, Billy's opinion was at once forthcoming. "Huh! Ye mout jes' 'a well saved mos' o' th' critters an got them thievin red cusses too. Wy didn't ye, w'en ye seed 'em ridin down on ye, jes' kill three or four critters, pile 'em up fer a barricade, an give th' red devils roq'lar h—ll? That'd ben better'n losin th' hull bunch."

When Bob Hall, a cowboy from the "S Bar," the next ranch—one of the meanest, ugliest, most quarrelsome bullies who ever flourished a gun—got killed at the hotel in town by an unoffending tenderfoot, whom he had tried to compel to take a drink, Billy, as usual, had something to say. "Huh! That's been tenderfeet all over. They think of er man tries t' her fun with 'em fyer that they've got t' shoot, an shoot quick. Th' galoot oughter've jes' took Bob Hall b' th' scruff o' th' pants an kicked 'r throwed 'im out, an Bob 'ld've pollygized too quick. Bob Hall never had no rand."

All the same, there was an old story to the effect that once, when Billy had been unaccountably absent from the ranch for three or four days, he had been in town, devoting considerable attention to keeping out of the belligerent Mr. Hall's way.

But Billy's opportunity came one day. He had been laid up a week and was still lame as the result of being on the side next the ground when his pony stumbled and fell one day, and was sitting at the door one morning about 11:00 when the stage came along. Several of us were in the ranch house and were somewhat surprised to hear the wheels outside, for the stage road was two miles from the ranch. As we crowded to the door we saw "something was up" for Dyer, the driver, looked excited.

"Mornin, gentlemen," he said. And then to Boss Fleming: "Fleming, I expect t' be held up over t' Five Mile creek. Kin one o' th' boys go with me? I'll get 'nother man at Parker's, an I reckon thro'll be 'nough."

"Why, yes, of course," was the reply; "you can have more if you want 'em. I'll go myself. But why didn't you bring guards if you're carrying any valuables?"

Dyer explained. The night before an had noticed three suspicious looking characters in town, and observed that they eyed him considerably. This morning he had started early, hoping to pass all the places favorable to a "hold up" before the three tough looking gentlemen had time to get located. He had felt a bit backward about bringing guards, as he did not like to appear cowardly, and besides his suspicions might be groundless and the laugh would be on him. There were no valuables except the mail bags.

But the three strangers had passed him a mile back, evidently in a hurry to get somewhere; hence his visit to the "HX."

Fleming turned to get ready to go—he was not the man to send somebody else into danger—but was met at the door by Billy, "heeled" with two revolvers and a Winchester.

"Hullo, man!" ejaculated Fleming. "Didn't you hear me say I was going?"

"Don't care if ye did," answered Billy curtly. "Th' plenty work t' do, an my laigs is too stiff t' straddle any blame broncho." And he climbed painfully up on to the driver's seat, and the stage rolled away, leaving us staring at each other, unable to believe our eyes.

The stage did not reach the Five Mile nor did it reach Parker's. At a place two miles west of the "HX," where the road traversed the edge of a bluff overhanging a deep ravine, there were three shots fired, and brave Walt Dyer and his two team leaders fell into the road. Then there were more shots—a rattling fusilade for two or three minutes—then silence.

When we got to the scene we saw Billy Brag lying across the body of the driver, supporting himself on one elbow and keeping "the drop" on a man who stood holding up one arm—the other was shattered and hung limp. Two dead men besides Dyer lay in the road. The wheelers were quiet now, but their hoofs had cruelly mangled the bodies of their prostrate comrades in front.

"I knowed ye'd come, boys," said Billy, "else I'd jed t' kill this 'im, 'stead o' savin 'im for a leetle necktie party. They got Dyer fust fick, but w'en they run up agin Phin Ellsworth, they ketched er h—l ov er feller. Guess I kin die off real peaceful now."

But he did not die. With a ball in his leg, another traveling around somewhere on his inside and a wound in his throat which cause his voice to break in a ludicrous way he still lives and brags of this very exploit.—R. L. Ketcham in Argonaut.

Obeying Orders.

"Government employees include a good many very odd men," said a chief clerk of a government bureau. "Some of them are very hard to manage, and none more so than the painfully matter of fact and over exact men, who require an explicit order for every bit of work they undertake, and literally can do nothing at all without a copy.

"One of the most singular of these was Bilfkins—Granny Bilfkins, as we used to call him, somewhat unkindly. He was the most literal man I ever knew.

"Once, before I became chief clerk, we had a chief who was extremely economical of government property—which was a good fault, if it was a fault at all.

"One time he came into the room, and looking over Bilfkins' shoulder found him making a small official computation on a large sheet of white paper.

"'When you have a memorandum or a computation to make,' said the chief pleasantly, 'it would be better to take a small piece of paper for it than a large one.'

"'Yes, sir,' said Bilfkins respectfully.

"Then he proceeded to tear up the large sheet and throw it in the waste basket, and taking out a small piece recommenced his computation on that!"—Youth's Companion.

Pay of Sponge Gatherers.

The number of persons engaged in the business of gathering sponges in the Bahamas, handling them and preparing them in various stages for market is from 5,000 to 6,000, all of whom, except the shipowners, brokers and shippers, are colored people. Hands employed in clipping, washing, packing and preparing finally for shipment abroad get from fifty cents to seventy-five cents per day of ten hours. The amount earned by the men who go fishing for sponges cannot be given, as their pay depends entirely on the number of sponges obtained. The owner of the vessel fits her out at his own expense, and the profits of the voyage are divided up in shares among the owner, the master and the men.

They are never hired by the month, nor do they ever get specified wages. The most that can be said is that the men make a tolerable living, and the sponge fisherman who earns over $300 a year is the exception. The owners of the vessels, as a rule, have their own ships, from which the vessels are fitted out, and on supplies thus furnished the owner makes a profit in addition to others. The shipowners, generally speaking, find considerable profit in the business, while the fishermen, if not able to lay up any money from the pursuit, are yet enabled to rely upon it for a moderate living.—Science.

Sensitive Rose Drill.

A new rose drill promises to be of special service in certain industries. Where such an appliance is required the work is placed on a table or a block resting upon it, and the piece to be drilled is held by the operator and the table is raised by means of the knees to feed the work to the drill. This construction leaves both hands of the operator at liberty to handle the work, and at the same time permits a great degree of sensitiveness, since the resistance can be felt by the knees and the upward pressure regulated accordingly. It is claimed that at least 50 per cent. more can be accomplished by this drill in a given time than by any other similar device, owing to the rapidity with which the work can be adjusted and then performed.—New York Telegram.

Woman Doctors in England.

"In Great Britain," said Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell, "our seventy-three registered women doctors are few compared with the three thousand in the United States. Yet with the nine students in our London school and the addition of the Edinburgh classes and the fact that the Glasgow Medical college has lately opened its doors to women, clearly indicate that the movement has taken sturdy growth in our country, and when our English work has been carried on for forty years there is every probability that our British woman doctors will equal numerically our kinsfolk across the water."

As with One Voice.

"And now, children," remarked the Sunday school superintendent, as he brought his review of the lesson to a close, "if the boy who honors his father and his mother is to dwell long in the land, what may we conclude as to the boy who does not?"

"He isn't in it," responded the children, with one voice.—Chicago Tribune.

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KEEPING BOARDERS.

The Boarding House Woman's Side of a Much Mooted Question.

A woman, driven by the vicissitudes of life to throw her home open to boarders, finds the experience, as most other women who try it do, difficult, to say the least. But she says philosophically: "I am learning human nature. I have discovered that the soft voiced, refined looking woman often carries tigerish claws beneath her velvet, and that the frank looking, well dressed man may develop into a 'Meddlesome Matty' before my eyes. I don't know why humanity should become brutal when it essays boarding, but it seems to. A woman called recently, liked my apartments, and returned to the parlor to 'talk business,' as she said, with an engaging smile.

"'Business' meant a series of searching, relentless questions and exactions which set my cheeks aflame and filled my eyes with hot tears of mortification. Did I intend purchasing a new carpet for the parlor? Were my stairs and halls usually kept somewhat cleaner than they appeared that day? Were my beds clean? Did I have two kinds of meat for dinner? Use homemade bread entirely, and, finally, did a maid open the front door as a rule? This was a gratuitous impertinence.

"I was taking the letters from the postman as she came up the steps, and naturally received her. And then she went away, after taking three names as references. I insisted in turn that she should give me one, that of a former landlady, and it was one of the small compensations of my lot, when she wrote me a week later that she found my references satisfactory and would take the rooms, to reply that I had found her reference most unsatisfactory and was sure I could not tolerate her exactions.

"A man came to me the other night, and after forcing my price down as low as he could, asked me if my husband was a Christian, if my family attended church and Sunday school, if my other boarders were God fearing people, and if Sunday was observed with religious quiet by everybody in the house.

"People ask me to take them cheaply because they are saving to buy a home or because the husband has extra office expenses or, as one gushing creature told me, 'because we want to go to Europe next summer.' The more they want the less they want to pay. Look at the advertisements for 'board wanted,' 'everything unexceptionable,' and 'terms moderate.'

"Would these people think of going into a shop and saying, 'I want your most expensive goods at a low price' Yet they do precisely that with me. Surroundings, appointments and service that mean a serious outlay they demand and are not willing to pay for. They cannot afford to keep up an establishment to their liking, and they ask me to do it for them without adequate compensation. The average man or woman seems to part with his courtesy, sense of justice and humanity when he starts out to become a boarder."—Her Point of View in New York Times.

The Neglect of the Feet.

Far too little has ever been said or written regarding the proper treatment of the feet, when we consider the amount of suffering that may be occasioned by their abuse. As the health of any and all parts of the body depends upon the care taken of each, either voluntarily or unconsciously, it is a marvel that the feet are not even more frequently disfigured by growths that injure the entire system and, perhaps, permanently cripple the limbs. Races that live in a state of nature have almost invariably (except in case of accident or natural deformity) shapely and serviceable feet in proportion to their general comeliness and physical perfection; therefore, it must be the coverings placed by civilized man upon his pedal extremities which cause all his defects in this direction.

If our hands were thickly clad in firm, tight fitting skins and fabrics for eighteen hours in every twenty-four they would soon become, to quote Ruskin, "as ugly as the naked feet of prosperity. When thus surrounded by coverings that are well nigh imperious to the air, the pores of the feet do not act properly and become unhealthy, while the feet themselves grow callous and develop those ill natured and wondrous painful excrescences known as bunions and corns.—Delineator.

One-third of a Dollar.

Handed down for generations in the family is a curious and valuable relic of Colonial days now in possession of Mrs. Lizzie B. Link, a niece of the late Judge Stites and a clerk in the general delivery department of the postoffice. On a small sheet of brown paper, 3 by 2 inches in size, are the characters, which pronounce it a legal tender for one-third of a dollar. One side bears the inscription, "According to the resolution passed by congress Feb. 17, 1776," also a dyspeptic looking sun dial, beneath which is the terse admonition, "Mind your own business." On the reverse is a circle of thirteen links, each representing one of the states of the young Union, in the center of which is the motto, "We are one." It is an interesting and valuable relic of the good old days of the forefathers and their fractional currency, some of which would prove very convenient at the present day.—Louisville Commercial.

Product of the Clove Tree.

The limbs of the clove tree being very brittle, a peculiar four sided ladder is used. As fast as the buds are collected they are spread in the sun until they assume a brownish color, when they are put into the storehouse ready for market. A ten-year-old plantation should produce twenty pounds of cloves to a tree. Trees of twenty years frequently produce upwards of one hundred pounds each.—Exchange.

It Turned Her Head.

"Why did Lot's wife look back" asked the pretty Sunday school teacher.

"I suppose a woman passed her with a new bonnet on," replied Johnnie Cumno.—New York Epoch.

Extremes.

A man who attempted to raise some money on a subscription paper for a necessary church relates his experience thus:

"The first man I went to said he was very sorry, but the last was he was so involved in his business that he couldn't give anything. Very sorry, but a man in debt as he was owed his first duty to his creditors.

"He was smoking an expensive cigar, and before I left his store he bought of a peddler who came in a pair of expensive cuff buttons.

"The next man I went to was a young clerk in a banking establishment. He read the paper over, acknowledged that the church was needed, but said he was owing for board, was badly in debt and did not see how he could give anything.

"That afternoon as I went by the baseball grounds I saw this young man pay fifty cents at the entrance to go in, and saw him mount the grand stand where special seats were sold for a quarter of a dollar.

"The third man to whom I presented the paper was a farmer living near the town. He also was sorry, but times were hard, his crops had been a