

THE FREEMAN.
He is the freeman whom the truth makes free,
And all are slaves beside. There's not a chain
That he'll not cast off, and he'll not be
Can wind around him, but he casts it off
With as much ease as Samson his green
Withes.
He looks abroad into the varied field
Of Nature, and though poor perhaps compared
With those whose mansions glitter in his sight,
Calls the delightful scenery all his own.
His are the mountains, and the valleys his,
And the respondent rivers. His to enjoy
With a propriety that none can feel,
But who, with filial confidence inspired,
Can lift to heaven an unprejudiced eye,
And smiling say—my Father made them all!
—William Cowper.

THE TRUMPET CALL.
THERE was something worse than weeping and wailing among the Pink dragoons when it became known that their regiment had been gobbled up by the enemy and sent off to languish in the retirement of the racecourse at Pretoria. Even their old rival, the Tyrone fusiliers, with whom they had met and fought in all parts of the world with belts and fists, had nothing but pity for them, and delicately forbore to make any remarks upon the news.

Since they were under orders for the Cape the Tyrone fusiliers were their best behavior, and the Pink dragoons at the depot felt too low and depressed even to desire a farewell fight with the Irishmen.

So they chummed instead. For the first time in the history of the British army the Pink dragoons and Tyrone fusiliers were seen walking together, drinking together and smoking each other's tobacco. Some of them even walked out with the same girl, and proud were the daisies who walked out escorted by a miller and a dragoon, thus forming a link between the mistaken impression that they were French cavalry, thus adding injury to insult. Another authority held that the trouble arose from the irregular war, when, after the fierce battle of Albuera, the fusiliers had come up to their share of some pipes of looted Valdepeñan wine to find that the Pink dragoons had absorbed the last glassful and had filled up the pipes with water.

Perhaps the truest story of the feud was that which told how, when quartered in the same town, after the Crimean war, the dragoons and fusiliers had intermarried freely, so that they had become almost as one family. All had gone well until the daughters of the dragoons who had wedded dragoons began to patronize the daughters of dragoons who had married fusiliers referring to their husbands as "old sojers."

Anyhow, all these wrongs were forgotten in the one great trouble which had befallen the Pinks. Sympathy found beer to drown sorrow, and no one rejoiced but the wives of the men who had been made prisoners. When the day of departing came for the fusiliers, the band of the Pinks played them down to the station. Then the dragoons hung on the footboards of the carriages to bid them a last farewell, and close-cropped heads were cuffed affectionately.

"Will bring 'em back, don't you fear, an' their 'orses, too," said the Tyrone fusiliers.

"An' old Kruger wid 'em," interposed a corporal on his own account.

Although there was plenty of room in the special train, the Tyrone fusiliers preferred to travel fifteen in a compartment, as being more comfortable and convivial than the orthodox five a side. So the bugler had a compartment all to himself, and was spreading himself accordingly.

"Don't you be afraid, Danny," he said to the trumpeter; "I'll keep a good lookout for your 'orses, an' I'll see that you get 'em."

"Don't you be too sharp an' get a cuttin' yourself, Bugler Simmons!" replied the trumpeter, with a gentle sarcasm, "especially along of that new 'orn of yours, an' if you see my petcocker friend, Corporal 'Awkey along of them 'prisers, give 'em my love an' ask 'em if 'e likes Frevira better'n 'orskin! All right, guv'nor—all right! Keep yer 'ands off the army, can't yer. It's a-lavin' its precious lives for the likes of you, ain't it?"

In the middle of the afternoon an order had come that they were to take the position. They had taken it, with a loss of over 100 men.

Later on a message had come, saying: "Hold position until you are reinforced." They had held the position with the loss of another hundred men against an overwhelming Boer attack, but the reinforcements had never arrived, and the cartridges were beginning to run short. Then, with twilight, the heavy firing of cannon on the surrounding hills had died away.

The fire of their opponents, too, as the day drew to a livid streak of gray over the western mountains, had slacked down to an occasional sniping shot.

Bugler Simmons had been very happy all the afternoon. He had found a snug corner between two large boulders, occupied by a wounded Boer, one of the defenders of the hill who had been left behind in the fight.

He had tied up the Boer's legs with tender fingers and an air of importance which had brought a quiet smile to the bronzed face of his patient.

"No, I'm just a glin' to horror that there Mousier o' yours for a bit o' shootin'!" he had remarked coolly when he had concluded the operation to his patient; "that is, if you don't mind me puttin' at your pain," he added with some diffidence.

The Boer laughed. He was an Irish "Boer," and, although a citizen of the Transvaal, had no great sympathy with his friends, who had left him so precipitately when the Tyrones had rushed the kopje at the point of the bayonet.

"Never mind me, youngster," he replied in a kindly tone, "I'm a soldier, and I'm used to be filled with cartridges. I'm only a prisoner of war."

"You talk jolly good English for a Dutchy," remarked Bugler Simmons, as the Boer showed him how to load the strange weapon.

"The fire of their opponents, too, as the day drew to a livid streak of gray over the western mountains, had slacked down to an occasional sniping shot."

"You mean we shall all be dead if those reinforcements don't come up?" queried Bugler Simmons.

His prisoner nodded.

Little Tommy was a hero, and the fairies thought him good; He felt as brave as twenty Jack-the-Giant-Killers could.

One day, as he was doing, he was summoned to the fray.

"You shall have," a fairy cried, "an opportunity to-day!"

The Princess Dainty Darling is a prisoner in your tower.

And a lowering Giant guards her—oh, how darkly he can leer!"

"Let me have some wings," said Tommy, "and a sword that goes thwack."

And I'll make a few things happen at that tower ere I come back."

So they flew away together, and the Giant soon was seen,

infating his lungs and placed his trumpet to his lips.

The Boers and the besieged on the hill above heard a sharp succession of cavalry calls sounding from the midst of the horses.

They were answered by the tramp of disciplined hoofs as the horses of the squadron galloped toward the sound of the trumpet. In another second the whole mass of horses was in motion, surging round Giger, on whose back lay Bugler Simmons, giving call after call, until he felt the troop horses responding, bringing their Boer brothers with them.

"Fourteen last birthday," replied Bugler Simmons promptly.

Low'ring at them with a visage that was wicked and unclean.

Then the Giant waved his spiked club, but Tommy killed him dead.

One blow sufficed to separate his body and his head.

And the Princess Dainty Darling he propped up to such a height.

To the King and Queen, her parents, then, he brought her back again.

The good King said, "Sir Thomas, you shall have her for your own."

And when I get too old for work, I'll let you have my throne.

You shall have a royal palace, filled with knights and learning, and—

And your pockets full of gold, and—

"Twas at this point Tommy woke

OUR BOYS AND GIRLS.

THIS IS THEIR DEPARTMENT OF THE PAPER.

Some Useful and Unique Devices Discovered by the Fair Sex.

It is not generally supposed that many of the labor-saving inventions of the world may be credited to women.

The Chinese Empress Tao, for example, worked out useful ideas in her busy brain. She invented the spinning of silk, never dreaming of the immense industry that would grow from her creation.

A luxurious woman of Asia discovered the art of roses, and this same woman, Mibeari Mial, invented the ingenious handcraft, the cashmere shawl. History is silent as to her end.

The women who are kept from want by the making of pillow lace have reason to bless the name of Barbara Uttmann of Saxony. Wood engraving was discovered by the Cumio sisters, two Italian women, and it was the widow of Gen. Nathaniel Greene who made the suggestion of the cotton gin, which was perfected by Eli Whitney.

The grandmother of Clara Louise Kellogg invented an attachment to the machinery in looms in mills, and another woman's genius worked out a device for deadening the noise of railway trains.

A Miss Knight invented the paper bag, and at once people wondered why so simple a contrivance had never been thought of before.

Mme. De Long invented metal-cutting machinery, which has been used in France for some time. This machinery is worked by steam, and from the solid metal cuts out gates and other architectural work without casting. Mme. De Long has cut plates of brass a foot thick into lattice work at a single operation. She has also made picture frames, crests and all the metal finished, every operation being performed by the steam-driven machinery. She first conceived the idea of her remarkable apparatus over twenty years since, when paralysis of the right arm compelled her to give up her trade of jewel work.

She has received many medals from various Paris exhibitions. The last laureate crown ever offered to a woman has been bestowed upon Mme. De Long by the Society of French Architects in Paris. Mrs. Barton Parrnell, who has worked for over forty years in the Australian gold mines, has made a fortune for herself as an assayer. She discovered the secret of creating ore before roasting it so that a much gold as brown stone could be obtained from it. Mrs. Parrnell intends to found a college in England for women, where they will be trained work in practical matters. It is stated that there are nearly 5,000,000 self-supporting women in the United States alone, and it is difficult to find a branch of trade in which they are not doing successful work.—New Orleans Picayune.

Beo Struggling for Freedom.

A captive bee striving to escape has been made to record as many as 15,540 strokes per minute.

Some men are never satisfied. After having their limbs broken, head smashed, etc., they go to law and try to get further damages.

The higher life is found in the valley of humility.

A double-faced man can see in only one direction.

The devil is a pantheist; he, too, would be God.

A smooth and shiny course makes slippery travel.

To live the truth we must have the truth abiding in us.

Lies should make it a point to carefully cultivate their memories.

The Christian life demands our all, yet it gives more than all in return.

If the devil ever takes off his mask it is because somebody sees under it.

If you prefer the service of sin, you must be prepared to accept the wages of sin.

"But" is a word that cools many a warm impulse, stifles many a kindly thought, puts a stop to many a worthy deed. No one would ever love his neighbor as himself if he listened to all the "buts" that could be said.

There is no great achievement that is not the result of patient working and waiting.



There is enough wear and tear on the soldier without the discomforts that come from having to use a strong laundry soap.

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Some of us never lose our younger selves, but, like Hans Andersen, set apart a suite of rooms for Youth in the temple of Age.

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THE truth needs no apology.

Asceticism is a self-abandonment.

Lucky stones are only found in plucky paths.

Just for deviltry, the devil is occasionally honest.

There is no music in hell.

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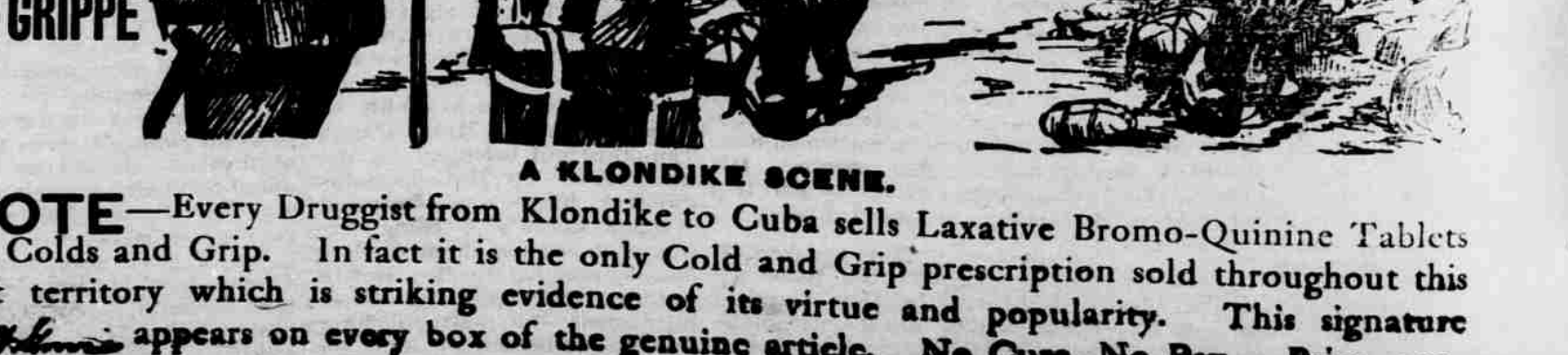
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