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### THE TROOPER'S STORY

by "oho."

"No, 'aint always the biggest man, boys. It's the stoutest heart, not the heaviest muscle, that helps to win the day. I've seen it more'n once."

The "boys," companions of his younger years, now gathered round him and pressed him for a story.

"Wal, 'aint much of a yarn I've got to tell you. 'Twas down amongst them pesky Spaniards, the biggest cowards and bullies on earth, and we were slowly drivin' the French from the country, when we fetched up one night after a hard day's march before the fortress of St. Sebastian. After receiving orders that the assault would be given at daybreak we set to getting our supper and then we set around the camp-fires smoking and spitting yarns; and mighty interestin' they were, for there was not a man among us that had not seen many a hard fought field. All at once I felt some one touch me kinder quiet like on the shoulder and I turned round and saw our little drummer beckonin' to me.

"'I had taken a liking to the little chap for he was such a cute-looking youngster. He had long wavy curls and dark blue eyes and a skin that seemed never to get tanned. Any other would a been proud of him."

"'Well, Jeez, what's up?" said I.

"'If you please, Bob, I want to speak to you."

"When we were seated in my own corner of the tent, leaning his elbow on my knee, and looking up at me from under his dark eyelashes, as pretty as a girl, said:

"'Bob, I want to tell you something 'cause I know you won't laugh at me; you're always so good to me."

"'You know I ran away from home to be a drummer, 'cause I always did love soldiers and music so. Well I dreamt last night I was home again, and mamma took me of her knee as she used to do and little Minnie was sleeping in her cradle beside me. And she talked about beautiful heavens and God, and then she cried and told me to be always brave and good, and I would go there some day; and then I woke and I was crying too. It was so cold and the camp-fires were dying out and my blanket didn't seem big enough."

"'Do you know, Bob, I fancy I am getting home pretty soon, and if anything happens I want you to take this letter back to mamma. Taint very well written, for my hands was cold when I wrote it but she'll be able to read it; and Bob, if I should die, will you cut one of these curls off for little Minnie?"

"'I promised as well as I could, but the blasted lump in my throat kept me from speaking."

"Here the big trooper turned away to hide a falling tear so sacred that it was caught by the recording angel and added to the credit side on the long list of Big Bob's account."

"'Well, he continued, "the little chap I leaned his head on my knee and with his eyes still gleamin' on his cheek he fell asleep as quiet and happy as if on his mother's knee, and he seemed so sweet and innocent like that I just leaned over and—well, no odds, we must keep on. Early in the mornin' we were called to arms and I got my company ordered to lead the charge, but we advanced with a rush and after a few minutes the French made their appearance, our cannon men with their boom shot into the town. I tried to keep a little to the rear, but lost sight of him in the smoke of the battle. Again and again we tried to see what was going on and only to be hurried back to our ranks, for a moment there was a lull on both sides, when all at once our little drummer's voice was heard shouting the 'old drew

every man's attention. Every man turned his eyes in the direction of the sound, and there in a small breach stood little Jo (how he got there God knows) his gun gone, and his fair hair streaming back in the wind, and with that same smile on his face, I had seen in his sleep, where he stood beating away the "old no British soldier ever failed to answer. He seemed like something from heaven to cheer us on.

"'With a wild yell 'I'll never forget, we dashed forward."

"Now, no force on earth or hell could stop us. Those in front were carried over the parapet by sheer force, and in an hour the place was ours, and dear old little Jo was in our hands. We found little Jo just inside the breach, not dead yet, for as we gathered round him and gave him a British cheer he waved his little hand and tried to answer.

"I knelt down and raised his head on my arm and tried to stop the blood, but all the poor little lad could say was: "Tell-mamma—I was—brave," then he died. The general himself placed the cross of honor round his neck, and with military honors little Jo was buried.

"'Excuse me, boys," said the big bronzed veteran, as he turned from the silent crowd, "I don't oft tell this yarn, and it kinder cuts me up like."

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A consignment of hardware, imported from New York state, has been seized by the customs authorities of Ottawa, who are in possession of information to the effect that these goods were manufactured by prison labor, such goods being prohibited by the penal regulations introduced by Sir Leonard Tilley.

—Use the safe, pleasant, and effectual worm killer, Mother Graves' Worm Expeller; nothing equals it. Procure a bottle and take it home.

At a meeting of licensed victuallers held in Fergus it was decided to charge as follows from date: Stabling for team, 20 cents; for horse, 10 cents; no free stables or sheds. This tariff will be enforced up to May, 1886, when the Scott act comes into force, after which a change will be made.

—Rheumatism and Catarrh, caused by poor or corrupted blood, are cured by Ayer's Sarsaparilla.

Island revenue officers have recently been hunting Ancestor for illicit stills, but the "still" men struck the rackethead of the officers and lit out after effectually concealing their apparatus.

—West Toronto Junction is within a few minutes walk of the Union station by the trains of either the Ontario and Quebec, and the Grand Trunk or the Northern. Real estate in the neighborhood has steadily risen in value and promises to advance still more rapidly. Some of the best lots in West Toronto are to be had from Geo. Clarke, 236 Yonge street.

The Bank of Montreal has declared a dividend of five per cent, and a bonus of one. The stock is now selling at 202.

—There are so many cough medicines in the market, that it is sometimes difficult to tell which to buy; but if we had a cough, a cold or any ailment of the throat or lungs, we would try Bickel's Anti-Cough Syrup. Those who have used it think it is far ahead of all other preparations recommended for such complaints. The little pills like it as it is so pleasant as syrup.

The commissioner of Agriculture at Washington issued a circular giving official notice of the existence of contagious

pleuro-pneumonia in Callaway county, Missouri.

A Golden Broom.

—Mrs. Wm. Allan of Acorn declares that Haggard's Yellow Oil is the best household remedy in the world for colds, coughs, sore throats, hoarseness, and all painful complaints. Her opinion is well founded.

James Strouse, a skating rink proprietor at Bowling Green, O., has sloped with Mabel West, daughter of a wealthy New Yorker.

Inflammation of the Eyes Cured.

—Mr. Jacob D. Miller, Newbu y, writes: "I was troubled with inflammation of the eyes, so that during nearly the whole of the summer of 1882 I could not work; I took several bottles of Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery, and it gives me great pleasure to inform you that it cured me of my affliction. It is an excellent medicine for cataracts."

The newboys in Hamilton are to be prosecuted for selling Opium on Sunday.

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These menard, for biting of a comrade's nose, has been sentenced in Quebec to one year's imprisonment with hard labor.

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On the arrival in Dublin of the Prince of Wales on Monday night a slight attempt was made by the vigilantes to create a disturbance, but the police dispersed them.

A Wife Killed.

—The great sorrow and consternation of a lady arose in Scotland in the blood, and she died in a few days.

A Vienna despatch says Winchits-Gallia has been burning since Friday. Over 600 families are homeless and 150 houses destroyed.

—F. Burrows of Wilkesport, writes that he was cured of a very dangerous case of inflammation of the lungs, solely by the use of five bottles of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil. He feels great pleasure in recommending it to the public, as he had proved it cures those who are afflicted with it, and in nearly every instance it was effectual.

The grand jury have indicted Conningham and Burton for treason-felony.

—Mrs. George Simpson, Toronto, says: "I have suffered severely with corns, and was unable to get relief from treatment of any kind until I was recommended to try Holloway's Corn Cure. After applying it for a few days I was enabled to remove the corn, root and branch—no pain whatever, and no inconvenience in using it. I can heartily recommend it to all suffering from corns."

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