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HONOR THESE HEROES.

The following, from the Hamilton Herald, The Planet heartily endorses: Canadian heroism on the battlefields of South Africa has been celebrated in verse and prose, and the world now knows pretty well that the people who inhabit the northern half of this continent are not lacking in the physical courage that is needed to win battles. But courage of a rarer and higher type than the courage of the soldier was that which was so nobly exercised last week by the men who rescued Joshua Sanford from his living death at the bottom of a well near Paris, Ont.

Very rarely has it happened that so much toil has been expended, so much risk incurred, so much money spent for the saving of one human life. The story of the rescue, as told in the newspapers from day to day, has thrilled the public heart, not only in Canada but in the United States as well. Seldom has the preciousness of human life received more striking illustration than in this memorable episode. The man in the well was an ordinary workman; but the efforts to save him rivaled in public interest the bulletins from Buckingham Palace, where science and skill were battling with death for the life of the King.

This interest was largely due to the fact that the rescuers were taking great risks. The anxiety was for the rescuers as well as for Sanford. The public instinctively recognizes true heroism and venerates the hero. There were scores of men who displayed true heroism in this rescue of Sanford, but the leading workers, who incurred the greatest risks, were John Carmie, Richard Doyle, George Blanchard, Robert Hamilton, George Wentworth and Henry Allen. These men, toiling underground for days, with no thought of reward, knowing well that at any moment the treacherous quicksand might cause the earth to cave in and bury them, displayed a heroism superior to that of the soldier who charges up to the cannon's mouth. Theirs was a heroism which should be publicly recognized. The medal of the Royal Canadian Humane Society should be awarded to each of the noble men whose names we have mentioned, and also to Dr. Duntion, who, at great personal risk, cared for the man in the well while he was yet imprisoned there.

FORMER PERILS.

The incidents of the week, points out the Ottawa Citizen, have recalled the former perils of King Edward, through which he fortunately passed in safety, but in some cases not without a period of profound anxiety on the part of the British nation. Briefly stated they are as follows:—

1. While a schoolboy at Oxford a boat in which he was rowing was overturned. He saved himself by swimming ashore.
2. Upon returning to England in 1860, after his visit to the United States and Canada, his voyage was so delayed by storms that warships were sent in search of the warship Hero.
3. In 1871 an attack of typhoid fever threatened to result fatally. His life was despaired of, but was saved through vigorous rubbing him with brandy.
4. In 1875, while tiger shooting in India, a tiger sprang upon the Prince's elephant. His life was saved by Colonel White, of his suite, who killed the beast.
5. In 1898 he slipped and fell on a stairway, sustaining an accident to his knee which threatened to make him lame for life. Within a few months he had completely recovered.
6. On April 4, 1900, while en route to Copenhagen, was shot at by a half-crazed youth named Spido, at the Brussels railway station. Two shots were fired, both of which missed the mark.
7. While on a visit to Emperor

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William of Germany he was hunting stags, and two of them charged upon his horse. The horse reared and threw him to the ground. He was only slightly bruised.

8. He missed death by just 10 seconds on Shamrock II. last summer while the yacht was on a trial spin. He was a guest of Sir Thomas Lipton, the boat was caught in a squall and the mast and rigging went over, imperiling the life of the host and his guests.

THE PHILIPPINES.

Some interesting figures concerning the Philippine war are given out by the Buffalo Enquirer. Since the close of the trouble with the Boers, our American cousins have been giving more attention to their own affairs, and the cost of the little conquest in the South Pacific is attracting not a little attention.

"During the last fiscal year," says the Enquirer, "the war in the Philippines cost us \$177,000,000, or nearly as much as was expended upon the civil government of the United States including President, Senators, Representatives, Courts, and clerks in the various departments. It is the greatest expense incurred in any year since the war began with Spain in 1898, except in 1899, when the total was \$229,841,254, due to the fact that both the Cuban and the Philippines campaigns were being conducted in that year. The following totals of expenses tells the story:—

1897	\$48,950,267
1898	91,992,000
1899	229,841,254
1900	134,774,767
1901	144,615,687
1902	177,000,000

The above is merely for the army expenses. During the same time the cost of the navy has grown from \$34,000,000 to \$76,000,000. Upon every man, woman and child in the United States there would have to be levied a per capita tax of \$2.15 to pay the cost last year of the army and navy in our unholy war of conquest. This onerous tax for the pastime of killing people and taking away their government does not include the enormous amounts taken from the treasuries of these islands to defray other expenses. The Philippines war alone has cost us more than \$250,000,000, and what is there to show for it except national humiliation, and the publication to the world that we have repudiated the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution."

How much better it would have been for the United States had they let the Philippines take care of themselves, instead of paying Spain \$20,000,000 for such a white elephant! The colored problem has assumed such proportions in the States that we marvel at the people on their adding further to their troubles by taking in several millions more. Of course, the Philippines are not negroes—they are for the most part savages, treacherous and unprincipled. It will require an immense standing for an indefinite period to keep them in order, because their peace treaties and agreements are not worth the paper they are written on. It is costing the Americans a pile of money now to keep up appearances in the Philippines, and it does not appear as though their troubles are near an end.

GENTLE HINT.

Bore—The fire seems to be going out, Miss Cutting.
Miss Cutting (suppressing a yawn)—Yes; it seems to be more considerate than some people.

JINGLES AND JESTS.

A Yuletide Request.

Kris Kringle, Yuletide saint so blest,
Your help am I entreating.
Try take to her whom I love best
My heart, with Christmas greeting!

For months I've cast it at her feet
With carolous most shocking.
Think you she'd deem it indecent
To find it in her stocking?

Pray do this, and my thanks you'll earn,
Next year, when you come stocking,
Perchance the favor I'll return
And ask you to our wedding

In Great Luck.

"You've lynched the wrong man," cried the sheriff.
"Well," replied Alkali Ike thoughtfully, "it's a great piece of luck that we didn't find it out in time to spoil the fun."

She Didn't Mean It.

Clara—I had an awful time when I refused him.
Maud—How do you mean?
Clara—Why, he took it in earnest, and I had to explain that I didn't mean it.

Money Talks.

"Words fail to express my love," he said.
"My tongue at the task it balks!"
"Well, if you need help," she replied, with a smile,
"Remember that money talks."

How It Happened.

Pat—So Kelly is dead?
Mike—Y. He hadn't an injury in the war—cold.
Pat—That did he do?
Mike—He was killed in a foight—Puck.

It's Her Nature.

"Oh, these won't do at all!" she said when the guide brought out the snowshoes. "I'm sure I can wear a size smaller."

A Very Rare Play.

Upon this fact all are agreed
Who in such things are posted
That play is rare, oh, rare, indeed,
Which never has been repeated.
—Philadelphia North American.

Got a Good Start.

He—I was once one of the judges at a baby show.
She—Heavens! How did you escape?
He—We handed in a sealed verdict—Puck.

Noah's Ancient Navy.

"If Noah lived today, he'd feel pretty cheap."
"Why?"
"Because the ark wasn't a submarine craft."

True Goodness.

'Tis not the man who's truly good
Whose maxims loud and oft are heard,
But he who rolls the furnace wood
And never says a hasty word.

Cause and Effect.

"He merely looked at me with a vacant stare when we met."
"Yes; he has rooms to let in the upper story."

Thick and Thin.

"Miss Perlicka's portly. I would not be that," said serious Gladys Van Pelt.
"But even her bank account's vulgarly fat, while mine is too stylishly avert."

Correcting a Misapprehension.

Ned—Miss Stuyvesant told my sister that you asked her to marry you twice.
Tom—No; I didn't. I asked her twice to marry me once.

An Educational Peril.

If Miss Minerva learned to play football, 'midst other studious cares,
These bargain rules, slugging away,
Would soon be serious affairs.
—Washington Star.

Honesty.

Old Gent—Throw away that cigar, and I'll give you a penny.
Kid—Aw, why don't yer be frank an' ax me for it!—New York Journal.

A Capitulation.

We blame the constant kicker
And chide him with a will,
And yet the world oft gives him
His wish to keep him still.

Of Stable Habits.

Mrs. Crimmonbeak—Did you say he is a man of stable habits?
Mr. Crimmonbeak—Yes. He kicks like a mule.—Yonkers Statesman.

Her Shoes.

These high heeled shoes are all the go
Because, between us, don't you know,
They make short ladies look the taller
And make all ladies' feet look smaller.

Few Get Out Alive.

Some folks have reason to be thankful that they are still on earth, for in truth they have no valid excuse for living.—Memphis Scimitar.

Long Felt Want.

It might be a very good thing indeed
If clear up a lot of our mystery
If some historical novelist
Should write a historical history

In Future.

"You are nearly an hour late, dear."
"Yes. The ship broke down, and I had to fly home."—Litt.

Contemporary.

May told a joke to five one day.
"Oh, my, that's old!" said five.
"Ah, is it, really, dear?" said May.
"Of course you ought to know."

How to Play on Words.

Base—Willie calls his wife Birdie.
Fogg—Making game of her. I see.

High.

The strict rules every sort of nice,
Black, black, he's also raised the price,
And that is why I can't!

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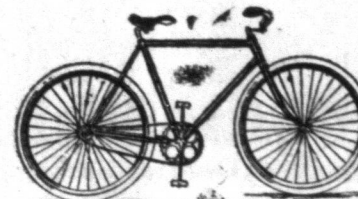
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