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## HOW MEN FEEL WHEN UNDER FIRE FOR FIRST TIME

Sometimes the Most Lively Terror is Felt and Every Instinct of Mind and Body Prompts to Flight

### MORAL RESTRAINT PLAYS BIG PART

Achievement of "Second Courage" a Well-Recognized Stage in the Seasoning Process Most Men Have to Go Through

THE man who has not been under fire always desires eagerly to know what were the feelings of the man who has been during the ordeal, says the medical correspondent of The London Times, in an article dealing with the psychology of courage. It is probable, says the writer, that he does not frequently find the information given by veterans either satisfying or enlightening. Being under fire for the first time exists, as a psychological problem, only in the most shadowy form until the idiosyncrasies of the individual man have been taken into account.

It has been my good fortune to enjoy many opportunities of talking with soldiers who have been wounded in action. I have visited Belgian, French and British hospitals at various periods, and, as a medical man, have been afforded special facilities for study. These opportunities have convinced me that no two men feel quite the same sensations whilst under fire for the first time, and also that a man is capable of experiencing quite different emotions at different periods of the same day, though his circumstances have not changed.

For examples, from the statement of a man who experienced shell fire for the first time in his life in the neighborhood of Arras, I gathered that his first feeling had been one of great interest and curiosity. A "Black Maria" fell some hundreds of yards away and sent up a great column of smoke, and at the same time shrapnel was bursting at no long distance. But suddenly there came home the realization that these shells were intended to work havoc, and that, in fact, the position occupied was full of danger. "Then I felt exactly as anybody would feel the moment after he discovered that he was in a field with an angry bull. Every instinct of mind and body prompted flight."

**Terror of Anticipation.**  
A second man told me that from the moment he came under fire—in a trench—he experienced the most lively terror. "But the feeling passed away after a while leaving me rather tired and only a little anxious." A third declared that he had been so nervous before going into action that the event put the anticipations of it to shame. He had regarded himself as a dead man, and woke up, under fire, to the realization that his chances of coming through safely were really very good.

Each of these men acquitted himself bravely; two of them were wounded. Clearly, when physical instinct played the coward, (I use the word in

no censorious sense) moral restraint effected victory. There came a second courage, a courage open-eyed and of clear vision which, whilst not despising danger, was able to discount it. Under fire these men found a self hitherto unsuspected, that elusive quality which for want of a better title is called manhood.

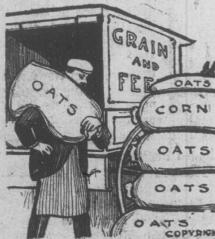
The achievement of "second courage" is of course a well-recognized stage in the seasoning process of war. I heard a little story from the lips of a British officer which seems to me to illustrate the genesis of it very convincingly—and the story is worth telling for its own sake. At a certain period of the present war some new troops were sent to hold a particular trench. They suffered a really terrible bombardment with shells and shrapnel, and at last about 100 of them evacuated the position and retired. Presently they met a senior officer, who stopped them and inquired what had happened.

**Courage by Suggestion.**  
On being informed to effecter looked grave and told the men he would be very sorry to have to use any coercive measures with men whom he knew to be brave fellows. He spoke to them for a short time and steadied them. Then he pointed out that the way of duty lay backwards towards the position they had left. "I'll walk back part of the way with you," he did so. Then men returned to their posts and gave a good account of themselves. In the words of my informant, they "were all right after that."

An officer who had himself seen much service told me before the beginning of the present war that the soldier who said he was indifferent to fire was merely a braggart. This is generally true, though I personally know of a few exceptions. But equally true it is that a man develops a certain callousness, or rather indifference. He learns first to control, then to measure, his fear. He learns to discount possibilities just as the ordinary railway traveller does. And the work in hand gradually engages and holds more and more of his attention. There comes a time, when in the words of an army doctor who was wounded near Ypres, "You want to go back not because it is pleasant there, but because staying away is just impossible."

While, therefore, the man who has not been under fire cannot safely count upon experiencing this or that particular feeling when his hour comes—this depending so much upon temperament and circumstance—he can, I believe, count upon achieving the second courage which is the priceless possession of the veteran. He can count upon "making good" in a moral and spiritual sense; upon reaching courage even through the deepest valleys of mistrust and fear. Under fire he may lose every preconceived notion he ever cherished or shunned, but it is at least in the highest degree probable that he will find himself. And it is also probable that that self will be worth the finding.

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"Unemployment in the various industries is not noticeable, except in the regions where the war is in progress. Except in the small portion of Russian territory occupied by the enemy industrial activity shows no important slackening.

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