

British Soldiers' Marching Song

(By Max McD.)

history and tradition take us into the early ages when man first began to make war against man, we find music as its accompaniment. It was through a blast of trumpets that Jericho fell, and from the days of this primitive instru-ment to the military bands of the present time, some form of music, vocal or instrumental, has been brought into use to rouse the martial spirit and put courage into the fainthearted.

But strangely enough national anthems rarely cheer men on to battle. British soldiers do not vent their patriotism lyrically; they put it into their shooting and their bayonet charges. The sons of Britain have gone intrepidly to face terrific odds to the careless refrain of "It's a long, long way to Tipperary," which, contrary to general opinion, was not composed for this war, but had been sung casually in music halls and elsewhere for a couple of years. Jack Judge, the author, had no idea that it would be sung by British soldiers in war time. In fact he had difficulty in getting a publisher; but when the song came out it had friends everywhere, and when the first British troops started for the front, they carried "Tipperary" with them.

Certain of the clergy have written to various papers voicing indignation over the fact that such a light song as "Tip-perary" should be sung all over the world to-day as the British soldiers' marching song. "Cannot our brave men sing a song more dignified?" these ministers inquire. Some soulful persons have wished that it might have been Elgar's "Land of Hope and Glory" that had animated the forces, but "Tipperary" was Tommy's song, and he had a right to sing what he wanted. "Life" got the poet of its staff busy and printed the following which, it was said, might please the men of the cloth across the

Away! Self-indulgence! Unchastened acquisitiveness Shame be your watchword! And palsied your initiative! Forward for liberty! What matter the hazard? Let's strike at Autocracy And Theological Error.

Chorus. Distressed beyond measure We soldiers are marching. Confirmed in efficacy Of national righteousness.

What matter our rations, The carnal and sensuous Delights of tobacco And starch forming jams? When Huns in their villainy Deface our cathedrals And render irreplaceable Several really magnificent canvases of the mediaeval masters'

A new marching song has been brought out in Britain which is said to have completely outshone "Tipperary" in the Brit-

Wars are fought on songs. As far as ish trooper's favor. It is entitled "Who's istory and tradition take us into the Your Lady Friend?" and like most of the songs of Tommy Atkins it has nothing to do with the war. A stanza of it runs



The Howitzer batteries of the Russians officially described as "somewhere along the Polish Front"

Hello, hello; who's your lady friend? Who's the little lady by your side? I've seen you with a girl or two, Oh, oh, oh, I am surprised at you. Hello, hello, stop your little games, Don't you think your ways you ough

to mend? This isn't the girl I saw you with at Brighton, Who, who, who's your lady friend?

Joseph Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, has made himself the laughing stock of America by forbidding the sailors of the United States Navy to sing "It's a long way to Tipperary," on the grounds that it might be construed by the Germans as a breach of neutrality. Henry W. Bellsmith offers the following parody for the use of sailors who are "bursting with melody." It was written with special It was written with special reference to the Atlantic Fleet then on its way to the Californian coasts:

Its' a long, long way to California, It's a long way to go; It's a long, long way to California To the great Panama show; So it's farewell dear old Broadway, Good-bye, Madison Square: It's a long, long way to California, get there-"

Owner-"What'll it cost to repair this car of mine?" Garage Proprietor-"What ails it?" Owner-"I don't know." Garage Proprietor-"Thirty-four dollars and sixty-five cents."—Puck.

on good water supplies which, if taken up by the right party, could be made into ideal ranches. By "the right party" I mean one who is prompted by a love of animals and a desire to make a living by raising cattle. As conditions are now, it is necessary for the new settler to lease enough land to enable him to put up a good-sized pasture field for use in the winter time, and if possible another for summer use for riding horses and bulls, and any other animals he may wish to hold for a period. And now, much as it goes against the grain with the old-fashioned rancher, who is said to hate the plow as a certain personage hates holy water, it is a sine qua non that some green feed such as oats, alfalfa, etc. be

Having commences toward the latter end of July, and to be safe, and where circumstances will permit, let a man get up one load per head for the cattle he is feeding and he can then face the coming winter with equanimity.

The day is fast coming when the large herds will no longer be in existence, and so the cattlemen of to-day must endeavor to work toward an end which is inevitable—as each, year the range becomes more and more curtailed—namely, a system of partial stall feeding will supersede the old way of making beef. At present the wild grasses cut are chiefly upland grasses, spear grass, blue grass and in some locations there are large flats of magnificent redtop. So much depends upon the feeding properties of the hay that every effort should be made to be "right on time" and procure the hay under the best possible conditions, and one should not be led astray with the idea that any

Ranching! What a world of adventure kind of hay will do on the "fill-'em-up" of romance this word conjures up to the principle. I have seen cattle taken in off and romance this word conjures up to the the range and fed poor hay, instead of uninitiated! But not so to the individimproving in condition the poor brutes ual whose life work is running a bunch of have steadily gone backward and in some stock on the open-range grazing principle, instances have died; again I have seen stock taken in, fed good hay and improve but in many other countries that are fitted by nature for the successful raising of cattle.

In saying "cattle" it is not to be under-

Ranching in the Canadian Northwest

Written for The Western Home Monthly by W. R. Gilbert

not alone in the district named above,

stood that ranching is confined to cattle

only, but in this article I will, for the

benefit of those who have an idea of

starting in this line, treat of cattle alone

and give a rough idea as to the present

conditions on the range, for it is very

different now from what it was in the early days when "mavericks" were only

too often caught up and branded, and un-

scrupulous men dared to enrich them-

selves by claiming these unbranded ani-

mals, but now that barbed wire plays

such an important part in the range business such doings cannot be carried on with impunity. Let us take the district

lying south and southwest of the town of

Medicine Hat, Alberta, later on what was

then western Assiniboia. This district is very suitable for the prosecution of the

Out south of Medicine Hat lie miles

and miles of rolling prairie intersected by

innumerable creeks and coulees; in this

district even to-day lie excellent locations

cattle business.

steadily. As to the kind of cattle to put in. A man as a rule will follow his own inclination, but if he buys a good bunch of grade Shorthorn heifers and puts them with a good Hereford bull, he will get market-toppers. The first cross always seems to be the best, and when he thinks he has had enough Hereford, then return to the Shorthorn, and by so doing will eradicate to a certain extent the slack hind quarters of the Hereford in his steers. Great attention should be paid to the individuality of the bulls used, and raise the best, and the results on the scale will surely return the extra care given in choosing the sire. Run the stock out on the range in the summer, seeing to it that they do not become mixed up with other stock; hold them near some water, and do not worry them more than is absolutely necessary; and then when weaning time arrives bring the bunch into the pasture, cut out the calves in the corral, and let the cows stay around until they have quit fretting and then turn them out altogether again. The calves can then be allowed to graze in the pasture for a time every day, that is, if the cows have quite stopped worrying around the fence. The calves being fed hay, and getting some grass, too, and with the shelter of the sheds, should go right ahead. Be sure and let them have access to plenty of water at this time. Comparing this method of ranching to that of turning everything onto the open range, one gains tremendously by the first-mentioned way in the large percentage of calves, and the cows will be in better condition for the continual working of cattle by the "round up" seems to keep them walking about the country, and consequently are kept in bad condition.

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