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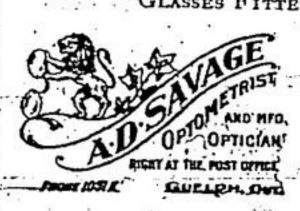
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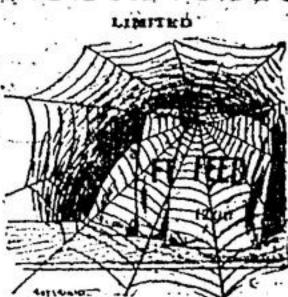
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STOP YOUR KICKIN-

- Then go in to win it.

itop yer kickin' 'bout the times. Got a hustle on you; Skirmish 'round and grab thudimes Ef the dollars shun you. Croakin' never bought a dress, Growlin' isn't in it;

Times is gettin' good sgain-. Try to belp them all you kin. Don't sit 'round with hanking lip, That is care to floor you. Striking Bag - \$2.00, \$2.50 Try to git a botter grip On the work before you. at some ginger in yer words When you greet a neighbor,

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Lors you try to carn it. Stop yer darn repinin' An' you'll notice that yor skies Allus'll be shinin'... If you hain't the nerve to try,

Snoak away somewheres an' die.

THE HERO OF THE "BUFFS" E. M. PLEDGE

dalled "Jimmy." by his friends took an early opportunity of offering himself for the service of his king and county, those who knew him best were most amazed. There were twenty whom bis friends could have counted of their Angers without a panes that would have been far more likely than Jimmy ; butlit was be, and not either of the twenty eligibles, who first joined the colors. The amazement was caused by Jimmy's constitational dislike of work. From the time when at a schoolboy be preferred to watch a game than to exert himself to participate in it, to the moment when he became a CPECIAL Fares now in private in the "Bufft," his study had been to love and follow idleness rather than work, and indolence had become his chief

elorn The blood losped in his voins, his Rath Carter, who had always championed him when others had accused him of idleness, was from home when the call claimed Jimmy, and the news of his great LIBERAL STOP-OVERS ALLOWED | decision met ber on her return. Ruth stood quite still when she realized the truth and her heart wave a few corious thumps, which souned to half stifle her. Then she drew berself proudly up, and looked the world-

> her world-straight in the laca "Jimmy will do something great !" she said decivisely. "His chance has come and be's going to show everyone bo's man. Other people will hear of Jimmy ! Friends smiled indulgently and some shook their heads. "Oh, of course Rutl would say that ! She would be certain t speak a good word for Jimmy. The two are friends, you son", with a little quist smphasis which was significant.

Atter Jimmy had gone, Ruth grew unsettled. She began to read text books upon nursing, and joined a Red Cross Ambulance class. Later she offered herself as a nurse to the ".V.A.D."

conspicuous for its smart work and for the thoroughness with which the men did their daty. Jimmy, when through his course of officers alike. As soon as his training was complete he and his comrades were despatched to the front. He could have had no parent and no pear relatives. He thought of Roth Carter, but he put the thought aside . He had no right to expect to do his duty. Tor the guiding flash of the that she would care. So he went to the

The words are so easily written, so readily spoken. They glide so naturally from the pen and patriotically from the tongue, but the reality is a totally different matter. The fact is a test to every man, to know and determine "what manner of man he la." The thunder of the machine and field guns and the almost pesseloss hombardment : the rain of shells, the odge of gas, the flashing of speel, -these combine to produce what, in order to gauge their unspeakable terrors, must be seen and /board. Those are part of the price of war. Jimmy did not keep a diary of the daily drama in which he had his part. There was no him. Before him was the black, yawning lelsure for disries, and no room or safety he kept was in his heart, and he wrote down things he told birecil be would repeat to Ruth some day-If he over went bome. There were times when some of the born near him did sublime acts of Jimmy saw, and his whole nature thrilled. He was not conscious of adding to the to discover his bravery.

open secret that there were stores of ammunition in these great wagons and forries Tom Hunter and one of the officers. that were to be sent forward 'the hext day running short. All had gone well, without am I ?" - ... a bitch, and no special danger was antiolevery sense alort. What a borrible thing it would be if any accident happened and Jimmy ait up. the waiting "section were defrauded - ofausplice | Shells, hand-grenados, all were

propellers of a hostile machine. To search for such was beyond his scope of duty, but for all that, Jimmy was straining every norve of sight and hearing to the exclusion of all other thoughts. . Ho. crept_round to the further side after a time, where Tum Hanter was standing and spoke-harriedly but with cantion :

The comrade addressed as Tom said "No," and said it carelonaly with very little "Walt," whispered Jimmy, "you wait,

There's something bent on mischief overhead and I'm just wondering what orders will come. It can't be that they haven't "Da you mean a Zopp and all this stuff

"My word, Jimmy, we'd better run while after it's happened, I'm thinking-if it's going to happen,"

"But what can you do!"

"Run those wagons into that excavation. der; and further on petrol."

life. Jimmy: You'll kill yourself." her call of his country he seemed to wake from "I'm going to run one now," retorted

and Jimmy turned up the cuffs of his khaki. gloriously. Something seemed to rise in store here about 1835, ten years before

at the scene of military activity where the fighting was floroest word watching for there supplies; perhaps their very lives The regiment Jimmy had joined was depended upon getting the transport through. Was it not worth while for him to take the risk !- He decided it was The sounds in the distant clouds draw nearer. Jimmy sprang to the driver's rest on great engine. He scanned the sky in valo for the fleab of the searchlights . Surely they had been too long quiet. He thought week ood leave, but he refused. He had of Ruth Carter, and wondered if she ever sent a thought to him. Then he shut his eyes and breathed a prayer for the strength rearchlight, for help and wiedom. When he looked up again a long white sword of quivering light was sweeping the beavens. His prayer ! .. The answer was there Clear and unmistakable, Jimmy felt that God had sont it. Like a restless, living spirit, it quivered and searched and moved now In one direction and again in another. It was like the sword of Vengesnee pursuing its prey. A few moments and it had found what it sought. There, hold in Its white, pitilose rave, hong a huge flare.

> hide itself from view. was the new throbbing engine. The

which they did not catch the heauty ; but | Each second increased the second There catalogue himself. It was left for others | tunnel. The engine seemed to stop auto-In the trenches, and out for a few hours' | his part. There was the reverleration in leave ; marching with a column to a 'new his care of some terrific explosion, as if the position in the theatra of war; here and very earth were being rent anunder. The there, always busy, always alert, Jimmy | upheaval seemed to lift him from his seat, found himself one cold night on high, bare | and the last thing of which he was conground, "somewhere in France," told off scious was a sudden movement which flung with a few others to watch and guard a him breathless to the ground. Then for a transport. It was a transport of poculiar while he know no more. It might have value, Jimmy knew, and Indeed it was an I bean a year or only five minutes before he onelied his over-Bending over him were

> said Tom. . "I rather think there's a broken leg here," and he tried to help

NO 46 Jimmy sent his gaze skyward. There broke rules I must face the punishment, preparations.

WILL TRY tolbe a lifter, not a leaner : an ansnoourager, never a discourager; lighten and share other people's serrows; start songs and rejoicings, not complainings; make the world a little sweeter place to live in ; keep in mind, the will of God; make sunabine in life's shady places; see the bright side of everything ; be close in mind and body, working patiently, industriously and honestly for a living ; earning a spotless character, so that I can look. up, not down, and most death's coming with a fearless smile ; endosvor not to run away from my weaknomen, but bravely fight them out; he glad of life; have hope and faith in everybody; try to live without hate, jealousy, temper and envy ; avoid speaking critically and bitterly, repeating only the good I hear; love because I must, give because I cannot . keep ; doing for the joy of it ; cheerful in disappointmenta, charitable toward the erring and fallen; protect helpless animals; do as I would be done by; smile more and frown loss and do every day something boautiful, some kindness that will cheer and strengthen another.

munition should be lost, and the poor

and tell what you know. Keep in the from diagrace and punishment. The bomb shade of the wagons. It's our one and fell just where the transport wagons were standing and if you hadn't run them in here, everything must have been lost. The

> Jimmy's face glowed. It is true that he fainted again when ambulance men lifted bim on the stretcher to carry him to the on Friday evening. He had heard his bit of praise.

The next time Jimmy woke to consciousness he was lying on one of the bods which he had often seen but never tried before. place in the world for a sick man, but the Jimmy, setting his tooth. "A man can comparative peace and order and cleanil. only be killed or die once and I, guess it's ness struck joy to his soul. He raised his head a little, and gazed round and strove to think why he was there. And he look !! ed at his surroundings. He saw a woman's business. About sixty members of the two slight figure in nurse's uniform bending | churches there visited Mr. and Mrs. McKee over another poor mutilated wreck of a

man on a bed near, and as he looked she She finished what abe was dolog then went to Jimmy. She did not speak; but Hemstreet, who was one of Acton's carlies gazing up, he saw har eyes were shining tonidents . Mr. Hemstreet opened a grocery his throat. He tried to cry out but could | Acton was so named. He called it the not. .. Burely he was not in the field hospi- "Danville Grocery." tal, but in the familiar English town where be had lived and worked no not worked Daylin At Guelph, on Jan 15th, Feli but idled-before the war. At last he found his voice and understood. "Ruth Carter ! Ruth-Ruth !"

Bho leaned down and spoke softly! "Jimmy, I've beard all about it what you've done. I said you would do something great, and you haver- I know you would. You've found yourself."

"Great? No. po there's a mistake. only did what any many would have tried 10 do. Ruth, why are you here !"

She laughed softly and nodded her head. "I had to come to look after you, Jimmy." "You came to look after me," broathed my: "Oh, Huth, do you care as as that? I couldn't have believed it." James Bently's name was mentioned in the despatches, and the regiment had rosson to be proud of him."-Christian Her-

THE PIVE WS --

Here they are all in a row : Who, what, where when and why. Any newspaper reporter can tell you about them, for they must be answered in every "story" he writes. . If a person is involved in an accident, the reporter must give the name and occupation. He must tell what bappened, where it happened, when it happened.

Definiteness is the watchword of the newspaper office. Why not make it the watchword in the heme? Why not touch our children directness and clearposs of speech during the school vacation ?

One day my neighbor's little girl came breath with a gasp. Heaven was helping over to visit me. She stammared, repeated duplicated, and lost horself as also talked. Instead of saying, 'Charlie likes cake' also would say, "Charlie, he likes cake." That | roply. ama of cloud and light; under his hand is just one example among many, but it is typical of her involved, mixed, hazy, and you!" haphazard conversation.

One day my consin's little girl came over to visit me. I was impressed with the orderliness of her speech. No matter what happened, she could tell it to me calmly and directly.

A little boy we know boasted that he would never fall from his bleycle. He was extremely confident. However, when this very thing did happen, my precise little speaker told me in ber first sentence : "Goorge Jones fell off his bleycle and sprained his ankloin front of Judge Paulson's a few minutes ago while he was learn-

Could snything be more compact? When my cousin's little girl told me so amouthly about the fall, I mentally gave her a one bundred per cent. No mother is dolog ber duty unless she of who, what, where, when, and why. Try

A Pill That is Prized -There have been many pills put upon the market and precod apon publicationtion, but ness has andured so long or met with so much favor as l'armoles's Vegetable Pills. Widespread use of thom has attested their great value, and they need no further advertisement than this Having firmly ostablished themselves in public onteons they now rank without a Jimmy saluted. "Well, sir, if I've peer in the list of standard vegetable

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Mr. John H. Worden has purchased the harnoss business of Mr. J. H. Matthews. Prices ruling on Acton grain market this week are as follows : Wheat, 80c. to 81c. arley, 22a to 32a ; poss, 40a ; cats, 17c.

Mr. James L. Warren has been elected President of the Exmening Agricultural

and Mesera Jeans and Stark were on the programmo at a. Hillsburg entertainment

Storey farm on the fifth line on Stowartown cross road. Last Friday Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Statham colebrated their china wodding, which was A field hospital is not the most comfortable attended by a large company of relatives

> Mr. John McKoo, for a number of year postmaster and storekeeper at Ballinafad, has realgned his position and sold out his at their home and brought-substantial takens of freely-expressed good wishes. death in Cleveland, Ohio, of Mrs. Miller

Dovlin, aged 86 years. W. L. Hemstreet, Cleveland, Ohio, on

FLOWERS FOR BIRTH MONTHS

January-Snowdrop-Coveolation Fobruary-Primrose-Early youth. March-Violets- Modesty. April-Daisy-Innocence. May-Hawthorn-Hopo. Jano-Wild : 900-Simplicity. July-Lily-Purity.

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November- Chrysanthemum-Cheerfal

Docamber-Holly-Foresight.

ack as she disappeared.

HE WAS SHORT Early one evening a frail little girl enter od a candy store and saked for a cake o chocolate. After she had the candy she pub four pennies on the counter and start-

Though averse to frightening the little thing, be called after her, in a gentle voice : "You're a penny short." "Nu, you're a pount short," she called

MIS OPINION

What are you doing here !" said Mr. l'adwelts to a tramp whom he found ses "Lookin' for work." was the wanderer's "You mean looking for trouble dan't

"Wall, isn't work troublo?"

. HOW COULD HE DO IT ? ...

An old farmer who had driven into the neighboring village to make a few purchasse took back with him more hard cider than was consistent with careful driving. While descending a steep hill his horse stumbled, and fell flat in the road and refused to get up. The farmer looked at him a moment over the dashboard, then ex-"Oit up, you old fool ! Git up, br, I'll drive

PROPERLY CHARGED

right over you t"

Two women were discussing their maritial troubles, when one asked, "By the way, teaches her children the reporter's recipe | what is your husband doing now?" .. "Oh," said the other, "he'a a-cottin round telliu' what's goin' to happen next

> "Then he's a prophet?" "No, ho ain't. Bo far as this family is

A GOOD HABIT

Whatever a youth undertaken to learn his hands on the other side. Thus he wil listed he could never onjoy. Inexpensive learn the babit of thoroughness.

CHICK-A-ROOSTER

Oho! Little Iteaster! What, trying to crow! Is that what you mean By that noise? Oho! Why, that was a cross Twixt a croak and a groat

I should not have known What it was that was making --That curious sound, . That seemed to be coming-Right out of the ground. I wish you could see How funny you look.

If I had not been looking

With your mouth so wide open : Your nack in a crook, And you straining so hard To make that hourse note. That squeaked no. and stuck Like the croup in your throat. I cannot help laughing.

Hat try it again, Folks will think you're a hon, Tis by trying, and trying, And trying, you know That all the old rossters Have loarned how to crow

. - Henry Crocker. BATTLE BECAME CHASE.

How the British Guards Made an Immortal Charge. killed to-morrow, just to have seen such mon charge," said one commanding officer whose speech to his men after the Guards had been into

action will be remembered, almost

syllable by syllable, by all who Nor in war at any time is any cene more moving than when, the However gally men fight, at that noment they love not war. And the Guards fought the gayest fight of which I over heard news or any trou-

against bitter odds. For the first time in history three. baftallong of the Coldstream Guards went over in line. They were swept fire from many directions, and all the For 200 yards the blast in their front and flank was enough to have stopped a locomotive. It did not stop the men. In the midst of this blast suddonly they came upon a

rose. The sight was all they needed to add the last touch to their fighting spirit: The enemy fired rifles and threw The Guards used only the Each man, they said got

The enemy fought now as well as below ground, and the ting, evan wrestling, so stirred the Irishmen coming up in support that they rushed forward at the double to take their part

The enemy had fought well. He thought he could stop the Guards! of a sudden the tiesperation of the truggle broke. ike a covey of partridges." battle became a chase. The prison-

ers who surrondered were just given leave to hurry back without escort to our lines, and took the permission at the gallop.

hames and the common chaff of the Some golden moments were vouchsafed in this immortal charge, which carried the Guarda over a mile and

Home Coures emerge from the ruck of hattle in almost ghostly silence. An officer who felt then and afterwards that he had never lived so splendid, so exhibitrating a day in his L'fo-such men de really exist-took ward to any pucleus of resistance he could discover. He killed man after

if less endowed with Valkyrio spirit. rushed a macltine-gun post, shot two of the men, bayoneted a third, and,

Some rival of another company tiron claimed the captive , machine gun; but the Irishman settled the disoute by taking the weighty thing under his arm and carrying it back deliberately across the open.

BRIEFLETS

If fashions nover changed, how would You can't always tall by the size of the

When a man's wife keeps him to bot water . all the time, can you blame him if he boils over once in a while?

It takes a pretty good carpenter to floor Weather strips are now classified as long

The less important a man is the more

DUSINESS When Billy Benufit applied for a job as office boy he produced testimonials from two clergymen who know him well. But

"We don't want you on Sundays, my lad," he said. "Haven't you a reference from somebody who knows you on week

"You came from a dry town, didn't you?" "Dry ! Why, they won't even allow the carpenters to use spirit levels."

Droad of Asthma makes countless thousands miserable. Night after night the attacks roturn even woon brief respite i given the mind is still in terment from contiqual anticipation. Dr. J. D. Kollogg's Asthma Romody changes all this. Relief comes, and at ours, while future attacks are warded off, leaving the afflicted one in he can reach his arms around it and clench a state of peace and happiness he once beand sold almost grocy where.

were lowering grey clouds covering three parts of the sky, and the little croscent moon looked pale and sickly. No air craft had been sighted for twolve hours or more and it seemed presumption for him to scap the sky for what had not been officially eigneiled; equally did it seem to saver of presumption for him to strain his cars for the all familiar drone and throb of the

"Do you hear anything up yonder,

About?" exclaimed Tom Hunter beginning

Jimmy turned and looked at his com

to group the possibilities of the position.

"It ian't a soldier's duty to forsake his post of run when he sees danger, chummy," he said quickly. "You are made of better stuff than that, Tom. It's coming and ye must do our hit sharp and well if ever we But I couldn't bear to think all the amdid. It's the time of our lives, old man, and wo'll do our duty. I can't think why chaps yonder needing it for their very they haven't seen the beggar and why we're. live." had no orders; but what we've got to do The officer smiled slightly. "There'll le just our level best. Tom, elip off, and be no punishment (or you this time, my stop it faster than you ever did in all your man. I mean you will hear of this bit of life and get to the first officers' dug-out work bringing you something different

"What are you going to do, Jimmy ?" "Stand by my guns," said James Boot- regiment will be proud of you and your ly, grimly. "It's no time to pick and night's work, Bently,"

Do you know what'n in 'em ? Shells, pow. field hospital, but what did that matter. Tom Hunter's face blanched under the tan. "You've never run a motor in your

best for him to be at his duty when the He had not been idle while he talked The enemy above them was still invisible. being hidden by the lowering grey clouds but it could be distinctly heard and ever Jimmy gave him a nod, and Tom sped away, keeping by the heavy transport wagons, courting their sheltering shade tunic and looked at the great ongine as stood. For about three seconds he reused If was true that he had never driven ar

ongine of any sort only seen the driver and watched them at their work. Was i his clear duty to do what he had told Tor be should do ! In a page it was not things went wrong he might be severely punished for his daring attempt, though his motive was absolutely good Well then, he must pay the price. The boy

Zeppelin that writhed and struggled to James Bently saw it, and he caught his tunnel, which broknned to him as a haven for them in the war-zone. The only diary of bone, Ahove him gleamed the panor-

> He gave the magic touch, and the huge machinary he was handling began to move; was a blur before his eyes. He felt rather than new that he had glided into the dark" matically, without any conscious effort on

"What's the meaning of this ?" arked to's certain section where supplies were Jimmy. "What's been going on? Where "A fee German attentions, my boy,"

> "Ah I" Jimmy grouned a little. "I say, Tom, is the stuff all safe - the transport ?" It was not Tour who answered this time.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Mr. Thos. Arthurs has removal to

and others who joined in good wishes for

Miller Hemstreet, aged 30 years. familiar greatings and Christian

more of shell-raked and bullet-raked

man, some with the pistol, some

"caught, the fourth a clip with my

the shurch committee get articles for its

rally, how many votes your candidate won't

A man is indeed ignorant if be is ignorant of his own ignorance.

badges he pine on his coat.

the hard-hearted business man was not particularly impressed by them.

DRY, ALL RIGHT

"All safe, and we've you to thank for it, Another half-day and the sorely-needed Bently," said the officer, "You did a supplies would be at their destination. clever bit on your own account, and you'll Another balf-day ? Yes, but the night hear of this again."