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There has been a good amount of amusement expressed at the many European reports of the alleged capture during the South African war of Lord Roberts, General Buller and others, but it appears from the introduction to a book about to be published by General Ben. Viljoen that British reports have in many cases been equally wrong. During his captivity in St. Helena General Viljoen has been employed in writing reminiscences. He says: "During the later stages of the struggle, when we were isolated from the outside world, we read in newspapers and other printed matter captured from the British so many romantic and fabulous stories about ourselves that we were sometimes in doubt whether people in Europe and elsewhere would really believe us ordinary human beings, and not legendary monsters."

"On three occasions I read circumstantial reports of my death, and once a long and by no means flattering obituary, in which I was compared to Garibaldi, Jack the Ripper, and Aguinado."

"On another occasion I learned from British newspapers of my capture, conviction and execution in Cape Colony for wearing the insignia of the Red Cross. I found that I had been brought before a military court at De Aar and sentenced to be shot, what was worse, the sentence was duly confirmed and carried out. A very lurid picture was drawn of my execution. Bound to a chair near my open grave, I had met my doom with rare stoicism and fortitude. 'At last,' concluded the admirable historian, 'this scoundrel, robber and guerrilla leader, Viljoen, has been safely planted, and will trouble the British army no more.'

"I also learned with mingled feelings of amazement and pride that, having been imprisoned at Mafeking at the commencement of hostilities, General Baden-Powell had kindly exchanged me for Lady Sarah Wilson."

"To be honest, none of the above-mentioned reports were strictly accurate. I can assure the gentle reader that I was never killed in action nor executed at De Aar. I was never in Mafeking or any other prison in my life, nor was I in Cape Colony during the war. I never masqueraded with a Red Cross, nor was I ever exchanged for Lady Sarah Wilson. Her ladyship's friends and admirers would have found me a very poor exchange."

As a matter of fact, an exchange with Lady Sarah Wilson really did take place, her Ladyship having been captured when on one of her daring rides out of Mafeking. The Boer prisoner who was exchanged for her, however, was not General Viljoen, but a much less important Boer of the same name.

Worrying.

There was once a man who kept account of his worries for a given length of time, and then review the record to see how these anxieties looked in the light of subsequent developments. He said that out of all the worries in which he had indulged himself during several years only two had any substantial basis, and these were trivial.

The experiment might be a good one for some other folk to try. There is no reason to suppose that worrying ever did a single human being one bit of good, and it has done an immense amount of harm.

In the first place, there is the time spent in this uncomfortable occupation which should have been given to rest, recreation, or actual work.

Then there is the vitality lost by it, which is often more than would suffice to remove the cause of the worry, if properly applied.

Third, and not by any means least, there is the discomfort caused by the recital of the anxious person's worries to other people.

Most of us have enough reason for irritation in our own affairs and in the real perplexities and griefs of our neighbors, without troubling our heads over something which would be uncomfortable if it were to happen, but which has not happened yet and may never come to pass.

The habit of worrying is one which can be easily developed, and almost as easily checked if taken in time. It is a good plan, when one is made aware of a possibility of evil, to consider first whether anything can be done to ward it off at the moment, and if so, to do it. If there is nothing to do but wait then it is the duty of any reasonable person to put that worry resolutely aside and think of the pleasantest or the most absorbing topic within reach.

The misdirected conscience of some folk pricks them badly if they allow themselves to be comfortable when something bad is likely to occur. Such a conscience needs readjustment so that it will fit the circumstances and not prick in the wrong place.

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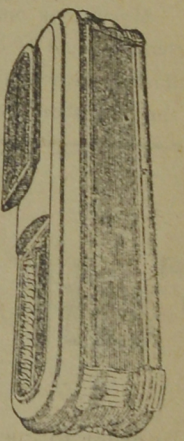
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