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A NOSE REFITTED.

An unusual story has recently come from the King Edward VII Hospital at Windsor in which a surgeon there performed an extraordinary feat. A man of 38 attached to a stable, William Robertson by name of Broadway, Lambourn, Berks, was preparing a horse to run in a race when the skylight fell and cut his nose clean off. He was taken to King Edward VII Hospital without his nose. The arteries were tied, and the surgeon then asked for the nose. It was stated that it was left behind in the stable at the race course. A messenger was immediately despatched to the stables, where the nose was found in the straw. It was taken to the hospital, where an operation was performed and the nose was put on again. It had been off about an hour. When Robertson was discharged from hospital, he said it was a miracle, and he could not speak too highly of the skill of the surgeon and the attention of the nurses at the hospital.—*Barbados Globe*, Nov. 19th.

REAL DOGS OF WAR.

HEROIC ACTS OF CANINE WARRIORS ARE MANY.

Bob—evidently one of the noble army beasts named for the late Lord Roberts of Kandahar—has deservedly received the silver medal of the British National Canine Defence League for an heroic rescue. Like most Simon Pure, full blooded heroes, Bobs didn't stop to think whether he was playing the hero or not—he merely did his duty as he saw it, found himself a fellow passen-

ger on a raft with a lot of half frozen unconscious sailors, whose warship had been sunk by the Germans off the coast of Holland. As a result, his distress signals were heard aboard a destroyer about to relinquish the search, and the ten men were saved.

Dog heroes of the war are numerous, and one likes to hear of Fend l'Air, who helped dig his master out of a caved-in trench; or Judge, who swam the river with the ends of ropes in his mouth to draw the boats over, till the German snipers got him; or little Velse, who went everywhere with Raymond Corroll; or the noble Red Cross dogs who sought out the wounded and led the rescuers to them; or the messenger dogs who no temptation could seduce from duty. But in all these transactions the best of the four footed friends of man was merely running true to form. You cannot imagine men at war and dogs failing to come forward and join them in the struggle as devoted partisans. You never heard of a dog deserting or refusing to go over the top at the zero hour.

Just as a dog would rush to the aid of his master in a battle with a burglar, he used his bark and bite to the last fibre of his being and the last breath in his shaggy body in resistance to his master's enemy at the front. If you attacked his master, you assailed him; and if the dogs of war could have had their own way, they would have fought it out among themselves.—*Ibid*.

HIS PLAN WENT WRONG

A noted miser, who felt obliged to make a present to a lady, entered a grocery shop for the purpose of making a purchase.

Seeing a statuette broken into a dozen pieces, he asked the price. The salesman said it was worthless, but he could have it for the cost of placing it in a box.

The miser directed it to be sent with his card to the lady, congratulating himself that she would imagine it was broken while on the way to her.

He was at her house when the box arrived but the effect was hardly what he had expected. The tradesman had carefully wrapped each piece in a separate scrap of paper!

MAILS CLOSE

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Miss Edith Agatha Fredericks,
Miss May Golden,
Miss Susanan Henry,
Miss Sarah Huyghue,
Mrs. Maria Jacobs, Mess Hill,
Mrs. Ella Jordon,
Miss Maria Lewis, c. o. Mr. Arthur Pretto.

Mrs. Mathias Petersen, Orange Grove,
Mrs. Lauisa Smith, Gallows Bay,
Miss Brown Gine Smith, c. o. Rev. Piggott.

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V. I. December 15, 1919.

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Postmaster.

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Loads.	Amount.
1.....	\$2.00
2.....	3.00
3.....	4.00
4.....	5.00

All loads in excess of FOUR, 50c. per load.

St. Croix Nov, 21st, 1919.

H. V. HUGHENS,
Chief Sanitation Officer.