HIS MOTHER.

[The following story is swift and brief, but it contains the two supreme elements of human interest-love and death. It is an original story, and was written by Hal Reid.]

A wail.

A long, low, mournful sound which reverberates through the and foot isrocks and rugged trees of moun-Dave! tainous Arkansas.

By the side of the rocky pathway is a cabin, and away across the range, just emerging over the tops of the pines, the August moon is rising.

A thin blue line of smoke is seen a little further on and up the mountain, curling lazily upward. splashed at his feet.

From the low cabin door comes a woman, an old thin woman, her face is like leather, and the deep furrows of age and care are deeply impressed upon it.

Again from out the stillness comes that awful sound. "Thet be a dorg a-howlin.'," she

mutters"Thet be bad luck. Ther Mam." be trubble a-comin'."

"Haver! Boze! Hayer!" she calls, and from the tangled underbrush skulks a lean, miserable, yellow dog, and with tail between his legs and hanging head he crawls slowly toward her. He stops.

And again that dreadful, awful howl goes echoing across the range, Like a flash she pounces upon

him, and with her hard, bony hand, mercilessly beats him.

ye want t' bring them gov'ment feet. spies a-down on us? G'win th' house. G'win !"

Groveling, trembling, the dog skulks into the cabin.

She stands a moment and looks toward the curling smoke, and then turns abruptly into the cabin door. Once within, she reaches into a corner and brings forth a rifle. Examining it carefully, she sets it just inside the doorway.

She stands a moment irresolute, and then goes to where the rifle stands.

"You never howl, "she mumbles. as she caresses the polished barrel "but ye bark, my beauty, 'en bite too. Let 'em come. I be a-ready,' and she sits down upon a chair near by.

Silence. Save now and then the deep notes of a pond-frog breaks the stillness,

Davel'l be a-mighty lonesum. But they's warned."

lence of a thunderstorm, and from this She listens. it has been surmised that the electric Not a sound. Ten minutes, discharge held some mysterious sway half an hour-two-and no sound. over the lacteal fluid. An Italian experimenter, one Professor G. Tolomei, "Cuss 'em, they's fooled again." has been making trials of various sorts, Then from around the house, the object being to throw some light on silently, like ghosts, come the electric influence over milk molecules. In his first experience he passed an elec

forms of a dozen men; and betric discharge from a Holtz machine between two of them, shackled hand tween two balls of platinum hanging two inches apart in a bottle containing a quart of fresh milk; secondly, by sending a current between two strips of platinum at the bottom of a V tube

She utters no sound. filled with the same fluid; thirdly, by "They'ye a-got me, Mam," he subjecting milk in a test tube to the ac-tion of a strong battery current through says. "I a-be the only one tuck.

They a-wuddent a-got me unly I a silk covered copper wire wound spia-went t' see Mag, you a-kno' she rally around the tube. In each one of these experiments, a a-loved me; en, en-" which were as thorough as any lover of His throat closed, and a tear science could wish, it was proved that

acidulation of the milk was delayed instead of hastened, as had been expected. Three equal portions of milk from the

"Dave," she says, "you've aalways bin ust to the mountain, same milking thus treated began to grow acid on the seventh, the ninth and son, hain't ye? En they a-be goin' the sixth days, respectively, while other portions of it which had not been treated to take you to jail. Ha'nt ye, spies?" with electricity was rankly acid on the "Yes; he's good for a life senevening of the third day. Having thus tence, for murdering a government disproved the popular theory of lightning

officer," answers the officer in charge.

"Then a-good-by, Davie. Kiss agent of milk souring. In his second trial of ozone he brought the surface of a quantity of milk close to the two balls

The bony arms are about his of the machine used, and the fluid alneck, the thin lips press his own. most instantly became acid in conse-"March !" commands the officer. quence. Here at last a mystery that has puz-"A-wait a minnit. I've a-got "A-wait a minnit. I've a-got sumthin' inside fer Davie t' take been made plain.-St. Louis Republic.

Shoes for the Dead.

along." Among Chicago's industries is a fac-"Halt!" tory where the manufacture of shoes for She turns and reaches inside corpses is carried on exclusively. the door. Like a flash the rifle is

levelled, and in an instant it cracks Mother !" And Dave, with a couvulsive

"Cuss ye! shet! will ye? Do clutch at the air, falls dead at her The shoes are certainly nice to took at. Like a rock she stands. "You kin a-have my Davie now.

A-take him an' go." Horified, unmanned, the officers

stand. Right about face-forwardmarch !!" She stands and watches them and children are always white. They disappear, and when the last sound has died away she sinks beside him.

"Don't a-be mad at Mam, honey. Don't stare at a-me like a-that. I a-be your Manı, 'en I a-nussed ye, en I ust to a-give you goards en a-sich t' play with; en a-when yed tween Maine and California. It takes

cut yer finger I'd a-tie it up fer ye. Oh, Davie, Davie, don't a-be mad with me. D've a-mind, baby, when ve a-stumped ver toe, I tied bacon on it fer ye. Ye never cud a-lived

thar, son en' that place, never." From the cabin skulks the dog. Her head is upon the dead man's , Whoo-oo! whoo-oo! whoo-oo!" breast, and she is aroused by the

shrieks.

Does Lightning Sour the Milk? WHY HE LIKES DUDES It is a well known fact that milk is especially apt to sour during the preva

HOW A PUNY TENDERFOOT ASTON-ISHED A ROUGH WESTERNER.

Be it enacted by the Senate and Because He Had White Hands and Word Clean Collars He Was Dubbed "Mush and Molasses"-He Showed What He Was Made of by Saving a Ranger's Life. We had stopped at a railroad station on the Pecos river, and many of the passengers were walking up and down the long platform. Among them was a dudish young man who excited considerable ridicule from the dozen rough a newspaper published at the county seat once a week for three consecutive weeks, and where there is no paper published at the county seat, then in some other paper having general cir-culation in the county. fellows hanging about. One of them finally said something about "chawing him up," when an old man in the gang

"That's 'nough, boys; don't go any further."

"What's it to you?" demanded the other

make to me at once a full and complete that I'll do a leetle shootin on that fellow's account if needs be." The two men looked menacingly at

each other, and for twenty seconds I expected to see them draw and fire. Then the younger one walked away, growling as he went, leaving the field to the old

"Would you have fought for the dude?" being the direct cause of the acidification of milk, Professor Tolomei tried asked when the strain had been reozone and found therein the mystic

"Sartin!" he grimly answered. "But you don't know him."--

"No, and probably never shall, but he sort o' reminds me of a leetle sarcumstance that happened seven or eight years ago. I had a ranch up on the Pecos plains, and a dude came out from New York city to visit a naybur o' mine. He was jest sich a beanstalk as this chap. He had soft hands, a woman's way of talkin, and I looked him over and made up my mind that a Texas

baby three years old could give him pointers. Why, durn it, if he didn't Out of five neat black boxes a reprewear white shirts and collars and play the pianner! I tried to be civil to him, sentative of the firm yesterday took as cause he was a stranger, but it 'bout many different sizes. These were adults' made me sick. I never looked at him and children's shoes. The material corresponds with the purpose of their use. without thinkin o' mush and 'lasses."

"Waal, arter he'd bin out thar bout The soles are cut out of pasteboard and are covered with grained paper. The uppers are a combination of quilted satin and crochet work. A ribbon, inserted at the top and tied in a neat bowknot, holds the shoe to the foot. "Men's shoes are always black," it was said. "Occasionally we turn out a lot of brown ones. We have had special orders for men's white shoes, but only in a few instances. Shoes for women are not expensive; five to fifteen dollars will purchase a dozen pairs." The burial shoe is a patented article. It was designed by a Joliet (Ills.) woman

milliner, who now enjoys the profits of narvous as to how it would turn out. 1 her idea. The Chicago company has swiped a bullet into another, and in rebeen in existence for nearly a decade, turn I got this rake along the skull. It and is catering to an ever increasing dewasn't ten minutes arter that befo' I bemand. The firm employs a traveling gun to feel powerful sick and weak, and man, who covers all the territory be-I jest reckoned that my scalp was goin to make an ornament on some red critten gtris and several machines to keep ter's belt."

up with his orders. The average monthly output is 15,000 pairs during the dull season. It is increased to 25,000 during a busy period.-Chicago Tribune. The Gold Cure Is Very Old. The precious metal has been employed both externally and internally, in the

ture, approved Dec. 22, 1891, reads as follows:

House of Representatives of the State of South Carolina, now metand sitting in General Assembly, and by the authority of the same, That the trustees of the several school districts in the county shall report to the County Au-ditor the names of all taxable polls in their respective districts, and said Au-ditor shall enter the same upon the tax duplicate to be furnished the County Treasurer. That said names so fur-nished shall be published annually in a newspaper published at the county.

raised his hand and said: Under and by virtue of the authority conferred by said section I

call upon School Trustees of all the school districts in Edgefield county to "A heap, I reckon! It's so much to me

list of persons in their respective districts who are liable to poll tax. J. B. DAVIS,

Co. Auditor.

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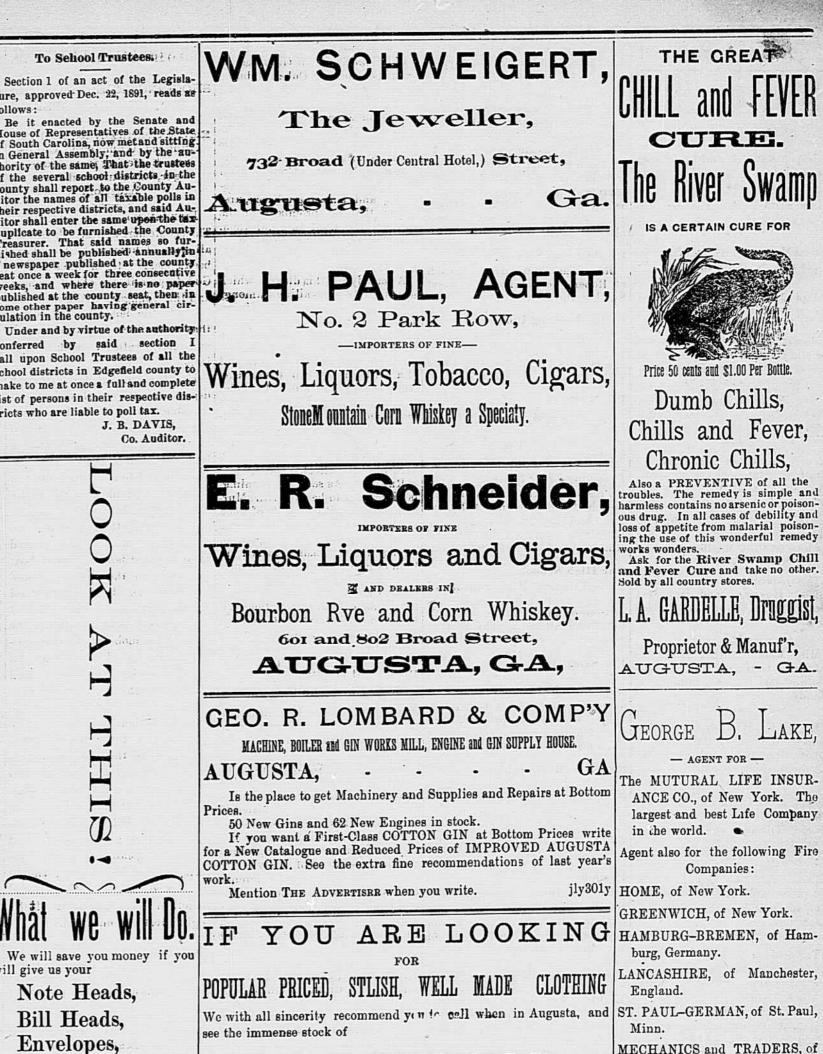
lieved.

"Well?"

three months, Jim and me went out one day to look up some stray mustangs. The fust thing we knew we got a volley from a lot of Injuns who had broke loose from the reservation. Jim was hit in the shoulder, but fortunately carried off by his hoss, who was a flier. I headed for a sink I knowed of and reached it without a scratch. Then, you see, my caper was to stand 'em off till Jim could send help. I had a Winchester and plenty of cartridges, and durin the fust hour 1 wounded one cuss and killed another. Then I got a chunk o' lead through this right arm and begun to feel a bit

"But you still stood them off?" "As well as able, but the end would hev come in about fifteen minutes more. The last three or four shots I fired I was so blind I couldn't see a rod. The reds was shoutin to each other and makin ready to close in when I heard a white man yellin. I couldn't see what took metallic state, in solution and by symplace, but I know how it was jest the pathy, for a great variety of the ills that same. That mush and lasses dude was flesh is heir to, for over 2,000 years. The out on a hoss huntin jackass rabbits,

and Jim run across him and told him



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"Owls," she mutters. "Whoo-ee! whoe-ee! whoo-ee!'

Like an athlete, she springs to her feet. "Thet be sum one ov' us." She goes to the door and placing her vellow, shrivelled hand to one

side of her mouth: "Ee-whoo! ee-whoo! ee-whoo!" goes through the dank woods.

A moment. And then around the cabin closely hugging the log walls,

comes A woman.

She steps within, her pale yellow hair hanging about her thin neck "They be a-comin' up the moun-

tain," she says breathlessly, "Who be a-comin'?" asks the elder woman, in haste.

"Th' gov'ment spiesc." "Cuss thet Boze! It a-wuz him

es did et." She stops and listens intently. "Halt!"

From the rock below comes the command, but faintly sounding on the night air.

"They a-be after Dave," says the younger one. "They a-be after my Dave-your Dave, our Dave.' The Thin old lips compress, and the yellow face is in an instant as hard as flint.

She moves quickly to the candle and blows it out. "How d'ye know?"

"They cum t, our cabin fer water, 'n I heerd 'em talkin 'en I runned up the short way."

to hold it together it attains a utilita-"Dismount. We foot it from

"Mag, kin ye warn 'em up et the still?"

"I be a-feerd, Miss Jenkins." "A-feerd?-afeerd? en you awantin' to be Davie's woman? Suke

And the younger woman throws a shawl over her head and steps out into the night.

like a frightened deer.

"The a-moon be a-with us," mutters the old woman, as she

watches the other. in bold relief standing upon a rock.

speeds its way.

A poor tottering form.

And the girl's lifeless body rolls down the reddened rocks.

stands the old woman in the door. The Spring is Upon Us, She is watching the smoke curling upward, beyond. Thinner it grows nice line of Spring Calicoes, Ging and thinner.

lap, lap, lap," as the hungry brut licks up the warm blood. "Cuss ye! Et wuz a-you!" she about 1725, he says: "The alchemists

And, with superhuman strength, she grabs the dog by the hind legs and dashes him to death. Morning came, and with it the

government officers. That evening, when the sun sank behind the rugged rocks, its last

rays tipped three rock-covered For they had found her dead be-

side the body of her Dave.

Religious Difference In the greater concerns of life there are wonderful illustrations of the conflicts of opinions. - There are something

over 1,200,000,000 of human beings in the world. Among these are six varieties of religious belief; three of these are said by one class to be false, and by

others three are said to be the true religion. And yet every religionist, every sectarian cla' us that he and she alone

are right. What our Chinese neighbors say is "true" we say is "faue," We call them "heathens"—they class us as "outside barbarians." What we English speaking people think is the right and the true religion

is in a startling minority in human belief or religious creed-for there are only some 350,000,000 Christians in all the world. There are some 6,000,000 Jews, and they have clung with singular persistency in all ages to their religious belief; it is seldom a Jew renounces his faith; it is more seldom that a Chris-tian embraces Judaism. There are more than 400,000,000 people who are pagans and Mohammedans. Detroit

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without a scarfpin, discloses its artificiality in all the baldness of its mechanical inferiority. It is a curious paradox in the fashions, therefore, that

the scarfing that does not actually need Thomas wud a-go." the scarfpin in reality requires it most "I be a-goin.' Wait!" In the self tied De Joinville, or its

madeup reproduction, the soarfpin must

On, on she goes over the rocks

rayer book, by its incongruous color, ntirely ruined the effect of a carefully conceived costume. It struck a discord

A cloud rolls away; a momen- in an otherwise perfectly harmonious tary gleam of moonlight; a figure dress. This has been remedied by having a cover to her prayer book which

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cently married) said to him:

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A Laughable' Superstition

"Not much! He rode fur me! He'd will have this metal contain I know not never seen a war Injun in his life, and what radical balm of life capable of re-Jim told him thar was a full dozen ar ter me, but it made no difference. He storing health and continuing it to the iongest period. "What led the early physicians to comes up on a dead run, yellin and shootin, and I'll chaw my hat if he didn't imagine such wonderful virtue in gold lay out two of the critters and kill

was that they perceived certain qualities pony afore they could git away. He therein which they fancied must be sailed right in so mighty hard that they conveyed thereby into the body; gold, thought he had a big crowd behind him. for instance, is not capable of being de-That thar leetle dude with soft hands stroyed; hence they concluded it must and puny arms lifted me onto his hos be very proper to preserve animal sub-stances and save them from putrefacand rode to my ranch and then heads crowd back and runs them reds 'leven

tion, which is a method of reasoning miles and kills another. very much like that of some fanciful "Why, durn me! he got two ponies physicians who sought for an assuaging

out of that scrap, and he gathered up more wampum, bows, arrers, toma-hawks, knives and sich than any six of remedy in the blood of an ass' ear by reason the ass is a very calm beast!"-Professor H. Carrington Bolton in Popus had collected in five years. When I got about I helped him to box and ship em to some club in New York. Pears to me it was sumthin like the Manhattan "A curious illustration of the value of

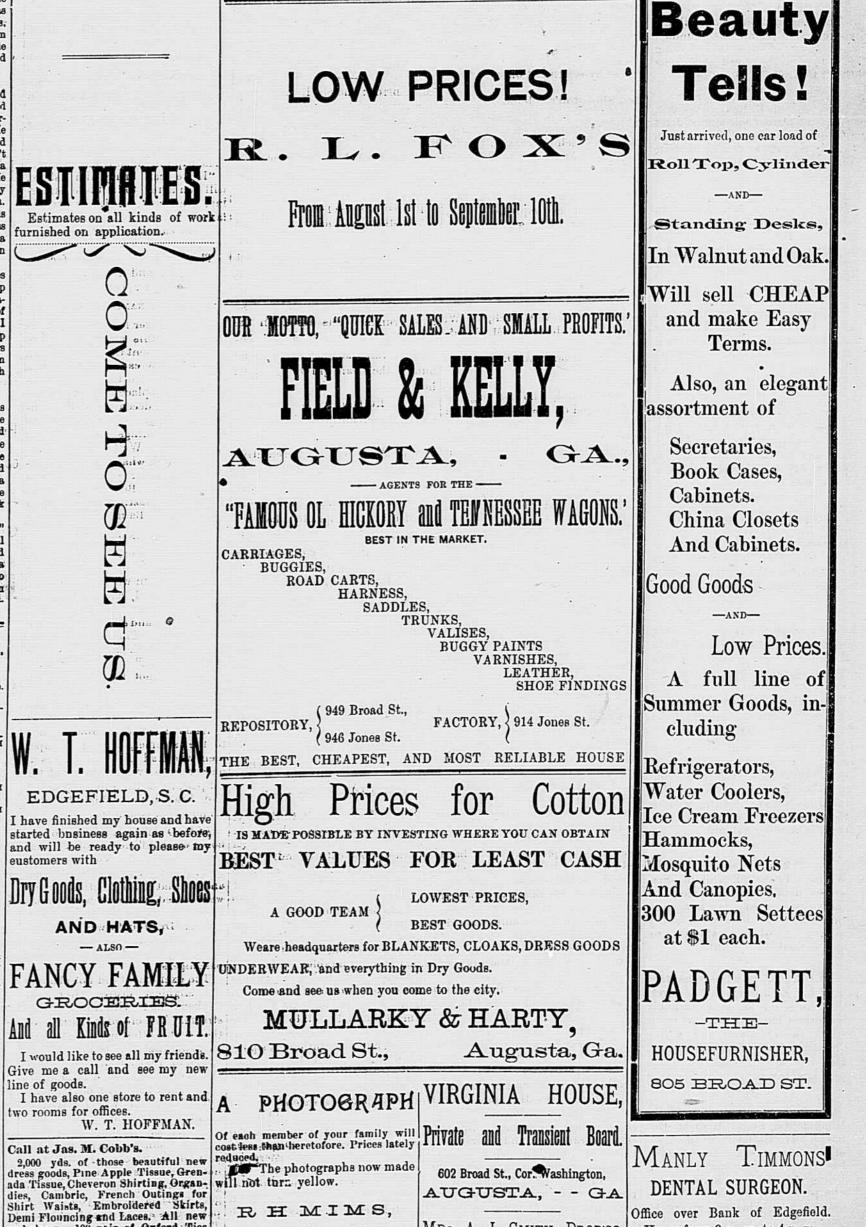
club. Leastwise, it had a 'tarnal longish uperstitions," said Mr. Kunz, the dianame, and the feller was a member." mond: expert for Tiffany & Co., "was "And you came to like him?"

afforded the other day by a lady who "Say! He kin hev all I've got in this brought a set of opals here for the purworld any time he axes for it. I made pose of selling them. She felt obliged big mistake sizin him up. He could to part with them on account of a series beat any of us with the pistol, and the of misfortunes in her family which she feller who took hold of him for a rassle feared were attributable to the gems, was throwed sky high before he could so notoriously unlucky. On examining bite his terbacker. He could run like a them I found that they were merely imdeer, outjump a kangaroo and we couldn't find a broncho who could buck itations. A few weeks ago I had in my ossession three seashells which had him off.' been transformed into opal. Their orig-

"And that's why you interfered, is it?" "Exactly. Show me a dude and I'll back him. These boys hain't learned inal limy material had been dissolved out of the rock by which they were inclosed, and the precious substance was the difference between a dude and a fule yit, but I hev and I don't want no deposited by water in place of the lime, retaining the form of the shells. A better chaps behind me in a pinch than ludes, 'specially New York dudes."graduate of Harvard college bought the curiosity and presented it to that insti-New York Herald.

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