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A ROMANCE OF THE RAIL

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per. "But I'll be fair and plain with

you. No bank in Denver would cash

without identification, much less for

\$50,000. The man that presents that

check will be detained and questioned,

"You make me tired!" snorted Dal-

that. What do you take me for, a farm-

er? D'you think I'm such a fool as to

show me face in Denver or to let one

o' me boys do it? Not much! What's

the matter with havin one o' your

friends go to the bank-him or him,"

pointing first at Ives and then at

Filley, "with a escort, o' course, I mean," he added hastily. "I guess he

can git the money, and as he knows

what it's fer he ain't goin to expose no

The thing was feasible certainly and

proved that Dallon had engineered his

vile scheme in a flendishly clever man-

ner. Uncle John thought a moment

"Course it'll do," growled Dallon.

"Now, which o' these 'ere young gents

If the light of the cave had not been

so dim, Reuben Filley's manner must

have attracted attention. He trembled

from head to foot; his parched lips

needed constant moistening, while

Here was the chance to be free and

great drops of sweat beaded his face.

to obtain this money he so sorely need-

ed. No feelings of honor, of humanity,

of chivalry, rose in his evil heart. His

one dominant thought was that, once

in possession of the check or money, he

could start east, or if need be he could

telegraph the funds to take up the

forged paper. His "good name" would

be sayed, even though his friend and benefactor was sacrificed. He was roused from his cruel reverse by the

"Reuben, you should be the one to go.

check and avoid any awkward

As my confidential man you can cash

questions. Remember, the safety of

these ladies is the first consideration.

"Very good, sir," was all that Filley

While Draper was speaking Dallon

unfastened the thongs that bound his

arms, but so cramped were they that

several minutes' vigorous rubbing was

necessary before he could wield the

fountain pen which Filley handed him

with trembling hands. Drawing a

pocket checkbook from the breast of

his coat, the president knelt on the

sand in front of an empty cracker box

and there filled in the necessary

blanks. The precious slip of paper

was waved in the air for a few min-

utes to dry and then handed to Filley.

Pay to the order of __Myself or bearer

Fifty Thousand & Dollars.

Upon the back it was also indorsed

"I have purposely dated it tomorrow,

this being Sunday," said Draper as

Dallon peered over Filley's shoulder at

the magic document, adding also for

the latter's information, "'Tis drawn

to self or bearer. Better go to the

Drovers' bank, as they know me, and

Then addressing Dallon he said,

How do you want the money, in large

"Oh, fifties and hundreds'll do," re-

plied the rogue nonchalantly; "bey,

"What you say goes, cap," was the re-

"Now, young feller," said Dallon,

turning to Filley, "you goes under the

a couple of the gang euphoniously

known as Leather Jack and Bill Root

who had stepped out of the ruck and

were waiting with their Winchesters

slung carelessly in the hollows of their

left arms. "They've got strict orders

to keep you in sight this side of Den-

ver, which you'll reach tomorrow morn-

in. They'll wait for you, and if you feel

like playin any games just think o' the

very wust as happenin to them you

leave behind. Now, boys, you've got

the rowt and the orders. Off with you!"

So the three marched down the cave,

Filley looking neither to the right nor

the left as he passed the anxious group

of women. Did his heart smite him as

he thought of the fate to which in all

probability his dastard treachery

would consign them? Not at all-his

was the nature of the octopus, all

Arrived outside the robbers' retreat,

tentacles, all muscle and hideous fibers,

but no soul or conscience.

boys?" turning to his henchmen.

sponse of the former spokesman.

there will be no trouble."

bills or small ones?"

Denver, May 17th, 1895,

John Draper,

This was the way it read:

\$50,000.00.

Do nothing that will imperil them."

dared trust himself to say.

voice of John Draper:

plot. Hey, what d'you say?"

and then said:

"Yes, it will do."

"As if I hadn't thought of all

and then your whole plot is exposed."

Copyright, 1900, by Frederick Reddall. Illustrations by I. W. Taber. SIXTH DAY. "I see what you mean," replied Dra-

SHOTGUN SOVEREIGNTY. It was Sunday morning. What a Sabbath experience, thought Mrs. a check for any one of you men for \$5 Hurst and the girls as they conjured up visions of Fifth avenue and the richly dressed churchgoing procession of which they usually formed a parti What a Sabbath experience, thought Chester Ives as he stood facing the motley gang of cutthroats, while down the gloomy vista of the cavern he could see the forms of the women huddled together on the sand for protection and comfort, while a few paces away stood a couple of the gang on

guard. "This ain't quite as tony as that there car e' yourn," began Jim Dallon, addressing Mr. Draper, "but it's good enough for poor devils like us, and p'r'aps you and your lady frien's can manage to worry along. You ain't obliged to stay here no longer than you like," he added truculently.

"Why have we been brought here?" inquired John Draper.

Well, pard, it's just this way," said Dallon, who did all the talking. "Some people gits all the fat in this life, and some gits all the lean. Here's you, fr instance," checking off the index finger of his left hand with his right foretinger, "and here's us," indicating the second finger. "By all signs you've got more money'n you know what to do with, and we've got none. I don't ask you how you come by it-you got it. and that's enough fer me," he said savagely, looking around at his auditors.

That's the kind o' talk, cap'n," said one, while angry looks were directed on the chief object of their attack. John Draper.

"Such bein the case," resumed the outlaw, with forced politeness, "the present perceedin's has for their objec' the unloadin o' some o' your surplus cash for the benefit o' the poor laborin man. Ain't that so, boys?" "Right you are, Cap'n Jim," was the

unanimous answer. "Now." said Dallon, resuming his a gument, "how much do you vally your-

self at John Draper?" "Oh, I'm not a rich man, as rich men go," replied Draper, affecting to misunderstand the fellow's meaning and

fencing with him. "I don't mean that," hastily rejoined Dallon. "I know how much money y've got soaked away-about five millions o' dollars, I guess. What I mean is, How much do you vally that hide o' yours-wot's it worth to you to get out o' this scrape?"

Draper was silent. Chester Ives stood by, taking no part in the colloquy, yet closely noting every word. Filley, too, could not help being interested in the outcome of the duel of words-indeed, he experienced a fellow feeling for the robber. Their trades were not so far apart, and perhaps be might do worse than join the gang when his own private and particular

While the president hesitated, weighing all the chances, considering the sufferings of the ladies, seeing clearly that worse might follow if Dallon were enraged and also running over in his mind the chances of rescue or escape, the captain of the band resumed:

"Might as well understand that yer trapped hard and fast. Oh, yes, they'll send out a search party from Denver," he laughed, reading Draper's thoughts, "and they'll maybe find them kyars. What then? 'Ti y can't find yous, not till I choose. You're a long cry from the railroad anyways." Then, stepping forward, he hissed in Draper's

"How about the women folks? I shouldn't like 'em to git hurted, but I won't answer for the boys. If you're

ugly, they'll be ugly too." This decided John Draper. They were in a hole, that was clear. Better get out with as little damage as possible. So he said curtly:

"Name your price." The gang crowded around in eagerness now that the crucial point was reached. Dallon was clearly embar-

rassed. It was his move. If he asked too much, the negotiations would be prolonged and thus increase the chances of detection. On the other hand, if he named too little he would "everlastingly kick himself," as he elegantly phrased his inward thoughts. Twice he moistened his lips and essayed to speak, but the words refused to come. At length he rapped out: "Fifty thousand dollars!"

"Done!" exclaimed Draper as quietly as though he were buying a block of stock on 'change in New York. "But you don't suppose I carry that much money about me, do you?" he inquired.

"Not on yer life!" was the slangy rejoinder. "I've thought o' that," said Dallon in a swaggering tone, elated and conceited at the success of his plot and strutting before his men like the monarch of a barnvard.

"You got a checkbook, I s'pose?"

"Well, your name's good in Denver for a heap more'n \$50,000."

rocks they found a number of horses tom of the stream was smooth and to guard the frontier settlements, and youd the limits of the state of which tethered, and selecting three of these

The events of this momentous Sabbath have been quickly described, but spark. All was quiet. they really consumed several hours in passing. It was after 4 o'clock when tedious waiting and suspense for those left behind.

Now that the "little matter o' business" was settled, all restraint within the limits of the cave was removed, and Draper and Chester were free to rejoin the ladies, who stood sadly in need of such encouragement and consolation as they could offer. Their welcome was out of all proportion to their deserts, and they were showered with questions as to what had happened. Uncle John said brightly that he had arranged for the ransom of the entire party and that within 24 hours he hoped to see them safe aboard the



"Fifty thousand dollars!"

Miranda again and en route for Den-

ver.
"That is, if we are not rescued be-

fore," said Madge Hurst. "If you value your own safety and that of your mother and Florence, my dear, you will not talk of 'rescue' any more," said Uncle John gravely. "Our friends over there might not like it, and after what has passed I don't want to burt their feelings."

Madge was sflenced, but in her heart of hearts she distrusted Filley, and so, forbidden to speak her thoughts, she turned to Chester for comfort, and together they conversed in low tones, while Mr. Draper and his ward did

likewise. There being no objection Gustave as roused up and sort of a repast out of the scanty materials in the commissariat of the robber gang. With the accustomed ingenuity of his profession he worked wonders, and soon a decent appearing and smelling meal was spread before the famished captives, to which they sat down by the side of the brook gur-

gling through the cavern. While they were eating a curious phenomenon occurred. The tiny stream began to foam and sputter; its volume of water momentarily increased until in the space of ten minutes it ran bank full, and our party had to move back to avoid a wetting. For upward of half an hour the miniature freshet continued, and then the stream as quickly subsided to its former modest dimen-

On being questioned as to the cause of this sudden swelling of the waters Dallon replied in an offhand manner: "Been a-rainin up yonder in the mountains sorter cloudburst, I reckon. That there crik tumbles in here from underground som'eres, but no one rightly knows where."

This set Ives pondering, and soon a wild, and perhaps foolish idea occurred. The water in the creek had risen at least three feet above its normal level and then subsided. This proved that the inlet or orifice by which it entered the cave had a capacity or bore sufficient to carry the larger flow of water. When the flood drained away, there would naturally be a space of three or four feet left between the water and the roof of the tunnel-if, as he supposed, there was a subterranean tunnel connecting somewhere with the open air.

What was to hinder a man escaping from the cave that way? Prudence said, "No; remain where you are until Filley returns." But suppose Filley met with some accident or the bank refused to pay the money? What then would be the fate of Madge and Florence and Mrs. Hurst? He shuddered escort of these two gents," indicating to think!

By this time it was pitch dark in the cave. A small fire was kept burning, but the embers had died down to a dull red glow. One by one the women succumbed to fatigue and excitement and lay down on the sand, their heads pillowed in each other's laps. Uncle John, Henry, Alec and Gustave soon followed their example. The robbers were all withdrawn to the mouth of the cavern, that, in their estimation, being the only spot worth guarding.

Soon the regular and rhythmic breathing around him convinced Chester that he was the only person awake. He rose to a sitting posture, then got upon his hands and knees and in this fashion wriggled his way to the upper end of the cave, following the sound

of the flowing water on his left hand. He had covered less than a hundred yards when he was stopped by a wall of rock. Gently stepping into the the higher country. In a cleft of the roughly semicircular shape. The bot- of militia, posted at different garrisons he was about to lead his troops far be- bad habit too much.

pebbly and the water not more than for a treaty to be held at the Long Iseach man mounted and rode toward his feet, Chester looked back along the north, Denver being about 50 miles the full length of the cave to where the embers of the fire glowed like a red

Again he stooped and got on all fours in the bed of the stream. This brought Filley and his guards departed. At his head below the level of the arch, the earliest they could not return for and a cool, fresh breeze came blowing 24 hours, which meant a whole day of in his face, proving that not far away there existed some sort of connection with the open air.

With a whispered "For Madge?" he began to move forward cautiously, the ice cold water reaching nearly to his middle and swashing and curling around his legs and arms.

Miscellancous Beading.

THE WHOLE THING, Who makes all the crops grow? McKinley.

Who makes the seasons come and go McKinley. Who shapes the current of events? Who regulates the elements? Who takes the place of Providence? McKinley.

Who makes it rain when it is dry?

McKinley.

Who shapes demand, also supply?

Who caused the India famine, which
Raised corn and wheat to such a pitch
It made the farmers all get rich? McKinley

Who gives the people industry?

McKinley.

Who placed the gold down in the ground
And then got out and scratched around
Till Cripple Creek and Nome were
found? McKinley.

Who sailed into Manila bay? McKinley. Who sunk Cervera's fleet one day? McKinley.
Who fought against the war; then

came At a late hour in the game And took the glory for the same? McKinley.

Who is the source of every good?

McKinley.

Who wants that fully understood?

McKinley.

If any benefit befall

Somewhere upon this mundane ball, Who is the creature sleek and small That has the monumental gall To claim the credit for it all?

McKinley.
—Denver News.

ISAAC SHELBY.

A Leader to the Battle of King's Mountain-Governor of Kentucky.

St. Louis Republic. There is a long list of men distinism and executive ability, in the history of the formative period of our country. History, as it too often written today, has failed to mention the names of many of these men, and their fame has become matters of local memory. The history of the frontiersmen, of the men who conquered the West, is a factor of our national development too often neglected and forgotten. The part played by individuals in this stirring drama was of immense importance. These men of the borderbetween the more civilized stretch of land along the Atlantic seaboard and the settlements which were just beginning west of the mountains, performed great deed-epoch-making deeds.

A glance backward a few score years will, show that here were two streams of emigration which peopled the western country, as it was called in early days. One came from the Southern states, notably Virginia and North and South Carolina, and their neighbors, and the other came from New England, New York and Pennsylvania. From the Southern country the pioneers established themselves, ever pushing forward, to the West and Southwest, while the northerly stream occupied the Northwest territory as it was called. It was not until after the Revolution that the men who fought the wilderness, and the savage denizens thereof, in Kentucky and Tennessee, whose descendants eventually spread over Missouri and the Southwest helped to make the American War of Independence a great fact in history.

John Sevier, a leader in the foundation of the commonwealth of Tennessee, was one who had to fight to the first governor of Kentucky, was another.

Isaac Shelby was born December 11, 1750, near Hagerstown, Md., where his and wounded. father and grandfather had settled after their arrival in America from Wales. acquired a knowledge of surveying. rations, ammunition, or even the ex- the money invested. He says: "When The extensive ranges of that region encouraged cattle raising, and young Shelby kept large herds of cattle.

He was a lieutenant in the company of his father, General Evan Shelby, in the battle at the mouth of the Kanawha, October 10, 1774, where the officers, Colonels Lewis, Fleming and Field having been killed or disabled, Evan Shelby became commanding officer. The battle gave peace to the frontier for several years.

In 1775 young Shelby was in Kencaptain of a minute company by the memorable day of October 7, 1780. me at less expense, and those who have Committee of Safety in Virginia. The This resolution was carried into effect worth, nerve and skill of the young patriot were thus early recognized by his 1813, just at the moment when, in the stream, he felt all around the opening fellows. In the year 1777 he was ap-language of Secretary Monroe, "disthe trio followed a devious but short and found it had a radius of about pointed by Governor Henry a commis- claiming all metaphysical distinctions ascending path, which quickly led to three feet above the water, being of a sary of supplies for an extensive body tending to enfeeble the government,"

nine inches or a foot deep. Rising to land of Holston river with the Chero- It was by the advice of Isaac Shelby kee Indians. These supplies could not to Generals Gates and Greene that the have been obtained nearer than Staun- brilliant affair of the Cowpens was acton, Va., a distance of 300 miles; but complished. Shelby served under Maby the most indefatigable perseverance rion in 1781. In 1782 he was elected a (one of the most conspicuous traits of member of the North Carolina assemhis character) he accomplished the task bly and was appointed one of the comto the satisfaction of his country.

> missary department providing supplies Carolina line, south of where Nashfor the Continental army and for an ville now stands. He performed this expedition, by the way of Pittsburg, service in 1782-83, and returned to against the Northwestern Indians. In Boonsborough, Ky., in April following, the early part of 1779 he was appointed where he married Susanna, second by Governor Henry to furnish supplies daughter of Captain Nathaniel Hart, for the campaign against the Chicka- one of the first settlers of Kentucky, mauga Indians. As there were no gov- and pursued his favorite calling, the ernment funds for the service, Shelby cultivation of the soil. provided the supplies upon his individual credit. To feed an army at one's ential men of the colony, and his opown expense is a service great for any position to the plans of Wilkinson, time and any age, and Shelby but who sought to have Kentucky declareproved his mettle again and gave prom- her independence of the government, ise of what he would do in the future.

> with the Americans, and in command, Spain. at Cedar Spring, where over 50 British were taken. The next important event conventions held at Danville for the was at Musgrove's Mill, where 700 men, Williams, routed the British, they having 63 killed and 160 wounded and tak- He was elected the first chief magisen, while the American loss was four trate of the new commonwealth. The killed and nine wounded. The Amer- history of his administration of an inicans designed to make a stand before Ninety-Six that evening; but an ex- shows Shelby to have been remarkapress, bearing dispatches from Governor Caswell, informed the leaders of matist. the defeat of General Gates at Camden. The Americans had to retreat in haste, but succeeded in getting away with all their prisoners. The brilliancy of this affair was obscured, as indeed at the plow, in the field or in the cabiwere all the minor events of the war net." The British, who thought the "re-

at Charlotte, N. C., and Ferguson, as the of the Thames. several counties, the hardy settlers ral- 8th of January. whom they knew and trusted.

arrival of Colonel Cleveland, with 300 a quiet life. In 1818 he was associated and other refugee officers, whose forces treaty with the Chickasaws, which rewas in the fall of 1780.

Ferguson, without alighting from their service. horses to refresh, but once, at the Cowpens, for an hour. The day of action was so wet that the men could only keep their guns dry by wrapping their bags, blankets and hunting shirts Jefferson. He had been for many years around the locks, which exposed their bodies to a heavy rain during the pursuit.

They found Ferguson encamped on King's Mountain, which was about half this Northwestern stream began; but a mile long. Ferguson had declared the evening before the battle that he was the Ring of the Mountain and him from it."

Upon him came the Wautauga boys, however, and their fellows. The plan of battle was excellently arranged. The Americans climbed the mountain at Ferguson's front and rear, and assaulted him, he having all the advantage of west and to the east, and Isaac Shelby, position. The result was victory. Ferguson was killed, with 375 of his officers and men, and over 700 were captured. The Americans had sixty killed

English education, his schooling being the chain of events at the South which interrupted many times on account of established the independence of the the Indian wars. Naturally under sur- United States. This victory, so imroundings of danger, he was brought portant to history, was achieved by farmer has adopted a plan of advertisup to the use of arms and the pursuit raw, undisciplined riflemen, without ing in his home paper which, he deof game. At the age of 21 he removed any authority from the government clares, has saved him much valuable to Western Virginia, having previously under which they lived; without pay, time and brought handsome returns for pectation of reward, other than grati- I am ready to sell my stuff, I insert a fication at having advanced the cause little advertisement in the local paof liberty. The Tories, hitherto so ar- pers telling what I have to sell, and if rogant, were completely dispirited, and live stock how many head of each, and Cornwallis, immensely alarmed, fled when they will be ready to ship, and with all his army to the seacoast, from the result has been that the buyers are which he did not again venture to right after me, either personally or by move, until reinforced.

legislature of North Carolina Shelby and several other officers, and an elegant sword for their patriotic as to Colonel Shelby in the summer of

he was governor.

missioners to lay off the lands allotted In 1778 he was engaged in the com- to the officers and soldiers of the North

He was one of the strong and influwas potent in keeping the people loy-The frontier was under the control al. It may be recalled that James of John Sevier, "Nolichucky Jack," the Wilkinson, the same who was implicaterror of the Indians, and Shelby was ted in the Burr affair, was a resident one of those who had early settled near of Kentucky for a number of years af-Watauga and penetrated further west- ter the Revolution, and that he was ward into Kentucky. Shelby fought the in the pay of the Spanish government Indians to the west of him and the for the purpose of throwing Tennessee British to the east of him. He was and Kentucky under the control of

Shelby was a member of the early purpose of obtaining a separation from led by Colonels Shelby, Clarke and Virginia, and was a member of the constitutional convention, April, 1792. fant republic in the remote wilderness. ble as a soldier, a lawgiver and a diplo-

At the expiration of his term of office he retired to his farm in Lincoln. A biographer says of him that he was a "model of an elevated citizen, whether

previous, by the deep gloom which At the beginning of the war of 1812 overspread the public mind after the Governor Shelby was again called to disastrous defeat of Gates at Camden. the chief magistracy of his state under circumstances very gratifying to bellion" now nearly ended, began call- his feelings. His energy, associated ing upon the inhabitants of Virginia with a recollection of his Revolutionary and the Carolinas to come to their fame, aroused the patriotism of the headquarters and declare their loyalty. state. He developed Kentucky resour-Colonel Ferguson, with a considerable ces, and sent men and supplies to the force, went to the westward. He sent aid of General Harrison at the Northword to Shelby, then at Watauga, that west. The legislature authorized the he and his men must come into their government to assume the personal dicamp or he would proceed against rection of his troops whenever, in his them and scatter them to the four judgment, the step should be necessary. winds. Encamped at Gilbert-town, he Upon his own responsibility he advis-sent these threatening messages ed the troops to meet him with their throughout the whole country. Shelby horses. Four thousand men rallied to concluded that he would have a hand his standard in less than thirty days. in the little game of 'scattering to the This volunteer force reached the shore four winds," so he went to see Sevier of Lake Erie just in time to enable and proposed that they collect a force the commander-in-chief to profit by was one of the most critical periods of The Kentuckians bore important parts the whole Revolution. Cornwallis was in the campaign, especially at the bat-

before stated, was at Gilbert-town far- | Congress recognized Shelby's achievether west. Shelby's proposition was ments by presenting to him a gold that the Americans surprise Ferguson medal. He was unremitting in the aid in the night and attack him. Colonel which he extended to the Americans Campbell, of Virginia, was also invited everywhere, and re-inforcements from to help with the expedition, and he as- Kentucky rendered much needed sucsisted. They raised a force from the cor at New Orleans on the memorable

lying to the call of the three men In March, 1817, President Monroe appointed Isaac Shelby secretary of war, The force of Colonels Shelby, Sevier but the office was declined on account and Campbell was augmented by the of advanced age and his desire to lead men, and Colonels Williams and Lacey with General Jackson in holding a had been scattered by the British. This sulted in the cession of their lands west of the Tennessee to the general gov-For 36 hours the Americans pursued ernment. It was Shelby's last public

> In 1820 he was stricken with paralysis: but his mind continued unimpaired until his death, July 18 1826, two weeks after the death of Adams and a member of the Presbyterian church, and in his latter days was the chief instrument in erecting a house of worship on his own land.

Collin's "History of Kentucky" records this fact "The first stone house in Kentucky

was that of the first governor, Isaac that "God Almighty could not drive Shelby, in Lincoln county, about four miles south of Danville, built in August, 1786. The late Colonel Nathaniel Hart, of Woodford county, used to say that when it was reported that Colonel Shelby had found stone suitable for such purposes he received many letters from various portions of the state inquiring if it could possibly be true, as well as many visits to verify the fact; some from as great a distance as Mason county. The real scarcity of stone then seems almost incredible now in view of the unlimited supply visible This glorious achievement occurred on all sides, but was doubtless due to at this, the most gloomy period of the the luxuriant growth of cane and to He obtained the elements of a good Revolution, and was the first link in the heavy foliage which so thoroughly covered the ground when it fell."

A MAN OF BUSINESS .- A Wisconsin mail, and naturally I always get the highest market. If I want to buy a passed a vote of thanks to Colonel cow, a steer, a horse or a dozen of each, I insert a little advertisement directed that each be presented with that costs maybe 50 cents, and instead of traveling over the country inquiring tucky acting as surveyor for Henderson conduct in the attack and defeat of of my neighbors who has this or that & Co., and in 1776 he was appointed the enemy on King's Mountain, on the for sale, the home newspaper does it for what I want manage to let me know in some way." Here is a suggestion that might profitably be utilized by thrifty farmers everywhere.

After all a man cannot contract a