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A Romance of the American Revolution

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soup which he gives us; and the ugly CHAPTER VIII. moccasin, and the toad, and the frog "There shall be joy for this. Shall we -the brown lizard and the green-the not laug Laugh merrily for conquest, when it swamp spider, with its ropy house and bagging black body-al lthese are The wolfdog from our throats, and favorites with thee because thy spirit

yields us his. Travis, the faithful coadjutor of the

takes

Tory Huck, was on his march into the swamp before daylight. As Humphries had anticipated, he took the path, if so it might be called, on which the ambuscade had been laid for him. He might not have done so, had he dreamed for an instant of the existence in this quarter of such a body of men as that now preparing to receive him. Looking on his object, however, simply as the arrest of Frampton, and the scouring of the swamp of such stragglers besides as might have been led for shelter into its recesses, he adopted the route which was obviously most accessible, and most likely, therefore, to be resorted to by the merely skulking discontent. The half military eye, looking out for an enemy in any respect equal in strength, would have either studiously avoided the ridge over which Travis now presumed to ride, or would have adopted some better precautions than he had troubled himself, to take. It was naturally a strong defile, well calculated for an easy defence, as only a small force could possibly be of use upon it. But two persons could ride abreast in the prescribed direction, and then only with great difficulty and by slow movement; for little gullies and fissures continually intersected the path, which was circuitous and winding, and, if not al-

ways covered with water and swamp quite as difficult to overcome, from its luxuriant growth of umbrage. Though an old traveler in suc

fastnesses, these obstructions were in no sort pleasant to the leader of the British party, who, being a notorious grumbler, accompanied every step which he took with a grunting sort of commentary by way of disapprobation.

"Now, may the devil take these gul lies, that go as deep when you get into them as if they were made for him. This is a day's chase, and the next time Huck wants a hunt, he shall enjoy it himself. I like not this service.

In the mean while, let us turn our troopers who held the broad ridge of upon the party in waiting for the tussock. The Tories fought well hem. Following the suggestions of his but the surprise was too sudden, and too little prepared for, and they fought ieutenant, Humphries, Major Singleton had disposed of his men at conat disadvantage. Still, as they re

venient distances for mutual support membered the unsparing character of along the more accessible ridge which their own warfare, and were conscious of innumerable outrages, such as had the party of Travis had originally pursued. The design had been a good driven Frampton to outlawry, they

one; for it was not to be supposed that stood their ground bravely enough Parrying the first stroke of their as one who had shown himself so careful sailants, who had every advantage in selecting the least obstructed route, they dashed aside from the path, and would willingly leave it, in preference for another, so indirect and difficult of strove to escape by plunging in every direction through the swamp. passage as that upon which Travis with the loss of the ridge, which Sinhad now turned his horse. The amgleton with his few troopers now tra buscade had been well laid, and must

versed in all directions, they lost all have been successful, but for this circhance of extrication. They flounder umstance. Major Singleton himself ed from slough to slough, while, disbeing in advance, was the first to permounting and on foot, the Whigs purceive this change of movement, which sued them. The cry for quarter on taking place just when his anxieties all hands ended the combat, and the were most aroused, was productive of survivors were drawn forth to become an exaggerated degree of disappoint-

prisoners. They threw down their arms, generally, and were spared; one who resisted was cut down by Davis who had shown himself a true man in close contest; and one strove to escape by turning back upon his path,

and plunging on through the swamp in an opposite direction to that taken by the rest; but there was an eye upon him, quickened by hate, and a deadwas hopeless; and there remained but ly hostility which nothing could blind -a footstep which he could not evade The fugitive was the sanguinary corporal of Tuck-a wretch who always carried the cord at his saddlebow for sudden executions, and enjoyed nothing so well as its employment dragoons, he believed that he might His pursuer was the maniac Frampton. That fierce man had singled out this one antagonist, and throughout the brief struggle, in which he bore an active part, had never once withdrawn his glance from him. But for this, the

should any of them escape to tell the vretch might have escaped; and even hen, had no guilt or fear paralyzed his energy or judgment, his chances "There is but one way, major," he might have been good; but he held exclaimed, while smearing his visage too long to his horse, and lost that with the mud around him, and leaping time, in trying to urge him along the boldly forth on foot upon the broad track he had taken, which, on foot, he oath-"there is but one way, sir: keep might have pursued much more effecyour men fast, while I make myself tually. The animal became entangled visible to Travis. I will run upon the in some water vines, and before he bank, and make them hear me. They

could get him free, or even get from will follow the tussock, and, by the time I am in cover, you will have them his back, the pursuer was plunging into the swamp, with drawn sword between you. The rest of the work is vaving overhead, and but a few paces rom him. Leaping from his steed, He waited not for an answer, but the which he left struggling, the fugitive next instant was seen by Singleton made for the opposite bank, and reachcoursing along the tussock towards the ed it before Frampton had yet got coute taken by Travis. When upon the highest point, and perceptible to through the slough. But even this ad-

vantage did not serve him long them, he broke a dried stick, with a sharp, snapping sound, which reached Though brave enough, the corporal seemed at that moment to lack much of his wonted firmness. Probably he knew the pursuer, had heard his sto "Hold up, men-hold up a moment!

ry, and dreaded his vengeance. was not improbable, indeed, that he himself had been one of those con-

Miscellancous Reading. LAND OF LONG DISTANCES.

astness of South Africa Appalls the Traveler.

he has become part of an ancient civilization which still survives the train up at night. and the telegraph, he moves through cities with a story in every stone; each

mile brings new pictures of the might and wealth which fill the most enchant ing pages in the book of history.

In America you cross a land of the future. The cities are marvels of inventive genius; even away in the country there is an echo of the hum of restless enterprise, the murmur of a peo-

State street, Boston, and Andrew F. ple confident they are hurrying on to Burke, Kansas City representative of realize a great destiny. the Great Western Oil company. The But across the great plateau of South Africa you seem to live always two met at the Midland hotel this morning, says the Kansas City Star, in the present. It becomes a dominating idea. You cannot picture a past and talked of days on Randall's Island save like the present, or imagine a fu- the New York home of waifs.

ture differing from today. The veldt is, and it looks as if it will always be Alaska. Andrew F. Burke, along in as it is. The slender thread of steel the early '90s, was governor of North which crosses its illimitable space, the Dakota. Both were on Randall's Islittle towns set down at such great land two years-1857 and 1859, charges distances from one another, play no of the city. Both were shipped to the part in the scene. They are there, it is west in 1859, to be given to farmers true; but they look fortuitous, out of who wanted husky boys to work their Trains clang across the Karoo, lands. Both not only gained an education and wealth but became men of

but the yeldt ignores them, it does not adapt itself to them. The slow-mov- or's chair. ing ox wagon alone fits in the picture;

the mail train, with its searchlight piercing the darkness and peace of the Brady said. "Andy Burke and I were light, is and always will be, a thing friends there. I was simply a little apparent. It always seems to me that 'mick' picked up off the streets. They didn't put me in the criminal home there is something curious, almost uncanny, about the great spaces of South-Africa-something you do not find in they didn't catch me in all the things other great lands. The haste of mod-I did down around the end of Broad ern life clashes with the spirit of the veldt. against disease and drought to its aid to pre- there-got some tannings, too. Got vent its freedom being shackled by the everything we had coming, I guess bonds of civilization and the handcuffs We weren't bad boys, though.

"Along in August, 1859, the superin of progress. tendent read us a letter from little The space destroys speed. As you northward or eastward from Martin Terrell, one of the island's hurry boys who had been sent to Delphi, Ind. a mile a minute express the London lose-set villages fly past, increasing Martin told about the apples, the the impression of haste; but let the chickens, the green corn and the horse same engine pull the train northward he had to ride and drive.

It and its speed will seem to slacken. things. I was a strong boy, and Steam cannot eat up the distance of strong boys have strong stomachs. such a continent, and there are no Don't know whether Andy Burke heard ments worn by ecclesiastics. At all contrasts, on near landmarks, by which that letter or not, but it made me deland where all the cide to go to to measure the onward rush. Yet such a journey, monotonous as good⁴ things grew. When the train started west, Andy was on it too. He t is, brings scenes which give it a fascination all its own. No one can paint went to a farmer at Noblesville, Ind. went to one at Tipton. in words or on canvas the beauty of a "Then the hard days came. I went South African morning just after sun-Your carriage stands still at to work deadening trees-swinging an rise.

FRANCE'S CHURCH TROUBLE. What happens-how it happens-why it happens-no man knows. It is an Explanation of the Issues Between Gov eccentricity of a South African railernment and Rome. way. The livelong day slips by with a 14 .- There is be liked. WASHINGTON. Dec. silence which almost forces one to

shout to break the stillness, but at much in the trouble in France between church and state that the pubnight these mysterious noises arise. lic does not understand, although the Men emerge from nowhere, and talk loudly of nothing beside the waiting matter has been under discussion for

train; figures with hammers beat upon the wheels or hold consultations in church and state, which went into effect on December 11, was passed Destentorian tones over grease boxes; a Preceding this popular song is roared under the wincember 9, 1905. dows of sleepers; even a whole troop the concordat, the charter of which train of terribly wideawake soldiers has been met on a particularly dark instrument will be explained presently. In old France the king was the night. But these things never happen

in daytime. There are people in this head of both the state and church wide land after all; but they only spring but in ecclesiastical matters he was subject to the pope. In England much the same conditions existed until the

WAIFS BECOME GOVERNORS.

left the church. Meet and Talk Over Days When They Were Street Boys In New York. Street waifs in New York in 1857shaking hands as ex-governors in 1906, nearly fifty years afterward. This is the French revolution. the story of both John G. Brady of 27

Nature of Concordat. A concordat is a compact dealing with ecclesiastical affairs between the pope as head of the Catholic church and the temporal ruler of a state Concordats commonly relate to things which are neither purely spiritual nor

purely temporal, but mixed matters. John G. Brady is the ex-governor of n regard to which the action of the two powers can with difficulty be disoclated. It is a settled doctrine of the Catholic canonists that the pope never absolutely cedes purely spiritual powers. The king sometimes nom inated a bishop, but the bishop could not be instituted without the sanction of the pope

and pant up the hillsides from Natal; influence, and each occupied a govern-"There's not much to tell about

those days on Randall's Island," Gov. although the reason, I guess, is that way. Just those little things that kids There is a silent protest do, you know, were what we were up the intruder. The country calls to. Andy and I got some schooling

"I got to thinking about all those from the cape into the heart of Africa

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monds-chopped almonds coated with white of egg and sugar. Pears combined with pineapple-one

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fifth as much pineapple as pear-will

Jelly of apples and pears will have the pear flavor and the apple firmness. Though the season has gone by for strawberries and raspberries, her sugseveral years. The law divorcing gestions in regard to these fruits are worth keeping for another season.

Strawberry jam mixed with goose berries is ever so much nicer than church and state were united under strawberry jam, plain. To five quarts of strawberries add two quarts of gooseberries, either green or just turning red.

When making gooseberry jelly or iam the vanilla bean will be found to help along the deliciousness of the result.

time of Henry VIII, who, when he Gooseberries, currents and raspberwas refused a divorce from his wife ries in equal parts make a most appetizing jam.

The state is about to seize the prop Try combining elderberries with erty of the church in France, but it green grapes, gooseberries, or crab apmust be understood that the state has had something of a title to it since You will Either for roly-poly or jam, black currants are improved by the addition of red currants. Ripe red currants, with ripe goosehad something of a title to it since

berries, make another good mixture for preserves and ples.

Black raspberries, if stewed with some red, juicy cherries, make a good sauce. Stew gently, so as to keep the truit whole, if possible, as it is more sightly. Peach jam with grated pineapple

And lastly, though dried fruit is not

especially appealing at this season, if you must use it, evaporated peaches and apricots are more appetizing than either alone.

WHERE THE GOLD IS.

Great Britain's Lack of the Precious Metal-A Comparison With Other Countries.

It is argued by friends of the pres ent disruption that the church prop It is a surprising fact that, though erty in France could not belong to the for the past fifteen or twenty years pope, because no title was ever vestthe production of gold throughout ed in him, and could not belong to the the world has been steadily rising, the church at large, because, in law, the United Kingdom at the present time hurch is not a person or corporation is bare of gold. Not in a literal sense, The new law provides that bishop for there is always a handsome n France, in their various jurisdic amount of coin and bullion in the tions, shall have religious corporation vaults of the Bank of England, but formed to which the churches and the in comparison with other and perhaps nore fortunate countries.

church property shall be turned over to be held under the laws of France The English stock of gold at the and not under the sovereignty of th Bank of England was £24,000,000 at pope. In May, some of the French the close of the year 1880, in the days bishops at a meeting held to consider of small gold production and much the situation, advised the pope to smaller business. It was only £28,comply with the requirements of the 000,000 at the close of 1905, though law, but in his view the law is too we have seen that the gold producdrastic and interferes with his spirittion had trebled in the interval, and ual rights. It seems from the acbusiness had probably doubled. The counts that the state exercises almost highest point reached was in 1895, at supreme control over the French bishthe end of which year it stood at £45,ops, clergy and religious services. 000.000. · It is today about £29,000,-Seizure of the Churches. 000-a dangerously small sum for

and 1905, for in the latter year the

figure was £29,000,000 while it is

£36,000,000 today. Where England

has stood still, Germany has got the

gold. Her ally, Austria, is another

great holder of gold, and has recently

increased her holdings markedly. The

Austro-Hungarian bank in 1880 had

was expanded to £46,000.000 in 1905.

The state officials, it is said, even modern times. have something to do with the vest-Where England has stood still, France, Germany, Russia, Austria, Italy and the United States have all in regulations to be followed in th

they have turned off to the right-we are folled!" The lieutenant rose from his recum bent position, and saw the truth of his commander's suggestion. To effect a

lure them back by misrepresentations

story.

and be modest!" were better mended."

above thee."

est at Huck for sending thee to the Thou wert feverish and imswamp. natient this morning until thou wert fairly in it, with its mud and water plashing around thee; and now thou are here, with the trees crowding upor us so thickly that the sun looks not under them once in the whole year, thou creepest like a terrapin upon thy journey, as if thou didst greatly fear thou wouldst too quickly get through it. A barren fear, this, for we see but the beginning; the bog deepens, and the

slow. Travis." "Saint Jupiter, Master Clough, wouldst thou lead? Thou art a better swamp sucker than Ned Travis, and he born, as I may say, in a bush and cradled in a bog, and his first breeches, like mother Eve's petticoat, made out of bulrushes! Go to, friend

the playful animal threw down, as he aped away from the tree they were

craves for thee a home like that which they abide in." ment. He cried out to Humphries, who "It is a goodly place, with all that lurked in a low bush on the opposite ompany thou speakest of the air is bank and saw not so readily,leasant to the sense, and the noises-"They leave the trace. Humphries! here is no music like the concert the rogs make for one at sunset." "Said I not? Why, man, thou quar relest with kindness, when thou rav-

days grows darker as we go. Thou art

"Teach Goose Creek, would you"

Talk not so loudly, Sergeant Clough of running through the Cypress, or the gray squirrel will look down and laugh. He's up betimes this morning, and knows more of a long leap through a broad swamp like this of the Ashley

fore him with becoming reverence for he watches thee from the pinetop The sergeant, who was an English man, looked upward with due simplicity, and received in his face the dismembered and decayed branch which

change of ambuscade at this moment one mode, and that was, to persuade them to return to the path from which they departed. At first, the lieutenant thought to throw himself immediately in their way; and, being well known and looked upon as loval by all the

of one kind or another. This thought he abandoned, however, as he still lesired to keep himself from present detection, which he could not hope

"Ay, when thou art wise, and car go without counsel. Once more, Travis, but I do think thy snall's pac

vours.'

than comes to thy wisdom. Speak be-

the quick ear of the leader. Travis turned instantly, and ordered a halt. See you nothing to the left?" All eyes were turned in the required direction, but they failed to distinguish any object in particular, other cerned in the assault upon Frampton's

It is fashionable to allude to a railway journey in South Africa in tones of thinly yeiled scorn and contempt, to

place.

condemn it as tiresome, complain of i as uninteresting. There is space-almost undreamed of space. And that is all, says the Pall Mall Gazette. But Through the east the traveler lives in the past. He feels, if he has any imagination at all, that for the moment

It's little less than a disparagement of passing the profession, and speaks not well for an old soldier."

The leader spoke with feeling, and no little emphasis, as his steed scrambled up the bank from the slough in which his legs had been almost fastened, the slimy ooze of which, left by the now-receding tide, rendered the effect to release himself a matter of greater difficulty than usual. The grumbling continued, even after he had gained the tussock.

"Thou a soldier!" cried one who rode up behind him, and who spoke in terms of familiarity indicating close companionship-"thou a soldier, Travis, indeed; What should make thee a soldier?"

"Am I not, Clough?" was the reply. "And wherefore dost thou grumble, then?"

"Wherefore? Because, being a soldier, I am sent upon any but a soldier's service. A dog might do this duty-a dog that you had well beaten.'

"And what better service, Travis, couldst thou have to keep thee from grumbling? Art thou, now, not a sorry bear with a sore head, that kindness cannot coax, and crossing only can keep civil! Send thee on what service Huck may, it is all the same; thou wilt grumble at the toil, even when it likes thee best. What wouldst thou have-what would please thee?"

"By Saint Jupiter, but he might ask, at least! He might give a man his choice," responded the other, gruffly "It's but a small favor I ask to be suffered to choose for myself whether I shall work for my master on hill or in hole-with a free bit, or hand to hand, close struggle with a hungry alligator in his wallow."

"And thou wouldst choose the very service he now puts thee to. What! do we not all know thee better than Huck? He sees thou art the best man for the swamp; that thy scent is keen with the bloodhound, thine eye like the hawk's, and thou art quick for fight as the major's bull-pup. It is because he knows thou art fond of this sort of venture that he puts thee upon it; and what thou grumblest at, therefore. it will be out of thine own wisdom to show, even if thou wert really discontented with the duty, which I believe

not." "It's a dog's life only, this scenting swamps for the carrion they had better keep-wearing out good legs and horses, and making soldiers do the duty of a hungry dog. Rot it, but I'll resist after this! Let them send others that are younger, and like it better. I'll give it up-I'll do no more of it."

"Say so to Huck, and lose command They passed over the broad path few moments, until they reached a of the scouts-the best game thou point from which ran out another hast ever played at, if the baggage route, clearly indicated upon the sky wagons speak true," was the reply. by an opening through the trees, which "What! shalt thou grumble to do let in, for the first time after their what thou art best fitted for? What entrance, the unobstructed sunlight. wouldst thou be after-what other service would please thee?"

"Thou mayst see me in a charge yet Sergeant Clough." replied Travis, boastfully, "provided thou hast blood and we can pass it now without swimenough to stop until it's over. When thou hast seen this, thou wilt ask me What! because no child's questions. have passed?" inquired Clough, rather I am good at the swamp, am I therefore worth nothing on the highway? It were a sorry soldier that could not take clear track and bush and bog alike, when the case calls for it, and do good service in all. But thou shalt, see, some day, and grow wiser.

fresh.' "Well, thou dost promise largely, like an old debtor; but, to my mind, thou art just now where thou shouldst be-in the swamps; for, truth to speak, thou lovest them-thou lovest the But on! do not fear; it looks worse wallow and the slough-the thick ooze than it tastes. On, and follow me which the alligator loves, and the dry close!"

fern-bank where he makes his nest;

"Now, d-n the rebel! That were : nanging matter for one of Washingon's cavalry."

"Ay, could you catch him!" replied tussock we just left." Travis, with a laugh at the discom-"I see, I see!" cried fiture of his companion, and busied roopers- "it's a man." himself in freeing his face from the "Now I have it! You are right, Wildust of the decayed branch.

"See what thou gettest for thy stupidity. Think yon gray-jacket knew not all you were saying? He did; not very dog we seek." word escaped him; and, believe it or not, his tribe have quite as much unwatching intently. derstanding as we, though, to be sure, stout man, not of more inches than they have not the same tongue to make

t known. It's a God's truth, now, that squirrel has been outstanding sentinel or his company, just as ours watches for us, and look where they go, all round us, and in the same direction! See to you nine how full of them! It

bends and shakes, big as it is, as they leap off to the next tree. They_are all off: just as the sentinel gave them notice. Every now and then, as we drew nigh, he barked away-bark af-

ter bark-'bow-wow,' though thou never heard'st a syllable, all the time as good as saving: 'Now they comenigher, nigher, nigher!'-and when he thought it time to move, he tumbled the dry branch into your open mouth and made off with his last signals." "Pshaw! what nonsense you talk!" "Nonsense! Saint Jupiter, but it's rue as turpentine! There's no truth, f that be not. Why, man, I go far ther: I do believe, in my conscience that they understand arithmetic and

navigation. Don't you think he told his fellows how many we were, and what route over the water we were going to take? You see they have taken a different direction altogether." "You think I swallow your fool's stories?" said Clough.

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contrived to boggle them continually "Quite as easy to swallow, and bet in perpetual intricacies, each more difer food than the branch the squirrel fcult than the other, until he not only threw thee; but if thou believe not. led them into the very thick of the am-Rot thee, for an infidel, not. buscading party, still maintaining his naving as little belief as brains! original lead upon them, but he scat-Thou art worse than Turk or Hebrew. tered them so far asunder, that mutual and should have no water from me ssistance became impossible.

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tinually

wert thou famishing." "Thou canst scare deny it here was the reply, as the squad, one after the other, struggled through a quagmire that spread across the path. "Nor would I here: I am charitable heard the splashing in the water or take thy fill of what is before thee.

the rustling in the brush of his bewil-But hold up, men; we are on the broad dered pursuers. He, meanwhile, fairtrack. This tussock runs for a hunconcealed from their sight by a ired yards, widening to a fork; and thick cluster of laurels that rose out I've a mind that you shall go through of the bay before him, conceiving the he worst part of it, Sergeant Clough, time to have arrived for action, gave that you may get more wisdom in the shrill whistle with which his men swamp sucking. Close up, men-close were familiar. The pursuers heard it

back, and there was a pause in the it a strain of impious thanksgiving to chilling in it; and the instinct of each, heels of the outlaw, was now to regain where to look for him. "To the right now, men-to the his starting place, and recover his se

right! It's the worst track but carries curity with his breath. us soonest to the heart of the swamp, But retreat was not so easy, and prudence counselled too late. They ming: the waters are going down, and nade the effort, however; but to sucit will not be so bad, after all." "Is it worse, Travis, than what w command reached their ears in anoth-

and in the next instance came the anxiously. sharp cracking reports of the rifle-"Worse!" exclaimed Travis, turning shortly upon the speaker, with a sneer: wo, three, four. "Saint Jupiter! said I not you should Travis went down at the first shot: learn swamp sucking? You'll drink they beheld his fall distinctly, as he before you come out. But the water's

"Fresh, here in the swamp? enemy remained invisible. but Major "Ah, fresh enough-fresh from the ea, unless the tide's gone clean down. Singleton now gave his orders shrilly and coolly :--"Steady, men-in file, open orderrot!"

They dashed after their leader as he And then came the rush of the

wife. flight of the one and than belonging to the region. the concentrated pursuit of the other "Look, Clough, your eyes are young were both natural enough. Guilt is er than mine-look to the left, beyond the big water oak, close by the blasted apt to despair, and to sink into imbecility, in its own consciousness of pine-the very highest point of the crime, and in the presence of the true avenger. Still, for a moment, there the one was a show of spirit. He wheeled,

and confronted the pursuer with kins-it's a man-a stout fellow, and word of defiance; but the moment after, he turned again in flight. He ran must be Frampton," cried Clough; "the over the tussock upon which both of them now stood, and, bounding through "No, 'tis not the man we seek," was the reply of Travis, who had been a pond that lay in his way, made off for a close cover of cypress that grew "This is a short at a little distance.

Should he gain that cover, his safety myself; Frampton, though stout, is would most probably be certain, as he tall. But he is our game, be he who would then have gained on Frampton, he may. All are outlaws here, and and had long since been out of reach rebels for the rope. Here, Corporal of the rest. But if the one ran with Dricks, have your string in readiness; we shall doubtless need a cast of your the speed of fear, madness gave wings to the other. The fugutive looked over office, and the noose should be free for

his shoulder once as he flew, and he service. Ride close, and be ready. Ha! could see in the eye of his pursuer that he scents-he sees us! He is on the there was no pity, nothing but death; wing, and we must be quick and cauand utterly vain must be his cry for tious. After him, Clough, to the leftquarter. Perhaps he felt this convicright, Wilkins! Get upon the tussock, tion only from a due consciousness of and, if he keeps it, you have him. what he deserved from his own atro-Ride, boys! To the left, Clough-to cities. The thought increased his the left. He can't reach the pond, speed; but, though capable and elastic and we are sure of him!" enough, he could not escape the man Half of the troops dashed after the who rushed behind him. Defying wood, respicious person, who was our acquaintance Humphries; the other water, and every obstruction, the flerce wretch pressed close upon the fugitive. half, slowly returning, re-entered the

The corporal felt the splashing of the old trail, and kept their way towards the flying object and the pursuit. The water from his adversary's feet; he knew that the next moment must be ieutenant found no difficulty in miseading his pursuers, having once followed by the whirl of the sabre; and he sank motionless to the ground. The them back to their original oute. They urged the chase hotly af- blow went clean over him; but though ter him, but he knew his course, and it carried Frampton beyond him, yet he did not fall. The maniac soon rewas cool and confident. Doubling concovered, and confronted the corporal, through bog and through who now found it impossible to fly: brier-now behind this, now under his hope was in fight only. But what that clump of foliage or brush-he was his lifted weapon against that of his opponent, wielded by his superior strength, made terrible by madness! The sword was dashed aside-dashed down in the heavy sweeping stroke with which the other prefaced the con-

flict. "Mercy! Mercy!" cried the corporal as he saw that it was all over. A It was then that, gathering himself up for breath along the edge of a bank. howl like that of the wolf was the only response, and the weapon bit through e coolly wiped the moisture from his the bone as the arm was unavailingly prow, looking from side to side, as he hrown up to resist it. The stricker member hung only by the skin and a part of the coat-sleeve. The steel was already in the air-

"Mercy, Frampton! have mercy-" The speech was silence, as, crushing through bone and brain, the thick sword dug its way down into the very eyes of the pleader. The avenged reverberate all around them from a knelt upon the senseless body, as it lozen echoes of the swamp; they gave lay at his feet, and poured forth above

chase, as if by common consent. The Heaven for so much granted and gainsound had something supernatural and ed of the desired vengeance. His wild, wolfish laugh, at intervals while he but a moment before so hot upon the prayed, taught the rest of the party

To be Continued.

#@ A year and a half ago the munici pality of Orbe, in the Canton of Vaud, Switzerland, placed artificial nests in ceed was denied them. The word of the trees throughout the district in order to protect and preserve insecter voice than that of their own leader. eating birds in the locality. The branches of the trees were studded with sharp nails to prevent access to the nests by the birds' enemies. Blackbirds and thrushes were the first to show their appreciation of the facilistood upon the highest point of the ties provided, and their example was

ridge, which was visible for a hundred soon followed by other members of the yards round. For a moment more, the feathered tribe. The artificial nests are closely imitated from the originals and a Swiss naturalist conducts the industry, which is in the hands of women.

'ar Have you ever noticed that some

some wayside station, with its solitary axe. It was swamp land and the work was hard. But that land, clear one-story house and inevitable dwarfed ed now, is the garden spot of Indiana tree. Away, as far as the eye can see, Andy Burke worked hard on the farm stretches the thin grassland. The where he was sent.

"When the war broke out Burke save its space; but the sunshine is joined the army as a drummer boy something England never knows, the and served throughout the war. He air is like a draught of champagne, the saved the money he earned, and at its narvelous clearness and freshnessclose went to Asbury college. Then which no other land can equal-give he left the school and got in business. new life. No breeze yet swirls the dust He eventually drifted to North Dakoacross the plain. All the world is still, ta. I don't know all the history of his many convents, as though lost in silent worship of the battles there. He grew to be known, oveliness of the moment.

he gained friends and influence, and A few sleepy Kaffirs, wrapped close in blankets which display a rainbow of the whole country knows when he was color, gaze with languid eyes at the chosen governor.

"And me?" continued Gov. Brady panting monster. The white man and Well, I remained on the farm in In his ways are familiar today in the heart of the Dark Continent. Yet there are diana until 1867. Then I became men living who remember the time genuine Hoosier schoolmaster. seems laughable now, when I look back when the coast tribes believed that to the days when I attempted teaching white men were a production of the school. My first job was near Sharpessea, which they traversed in large ville. I taught that school, then got shells, their food being the tusks of elephants, which they would take from better ones.

the beach if laid there for them, plac-"I had studied during my idle hours on the farm and had gone to school ing beads in their stead, which they obwhen I could. I grew interested in tained from the bottom of the sea. mining and went to Alaska. With my History has been made quickly in own hands I hewed out a cabin. South Africa.

worked with a pick until my hands A shrill whistle, and on again into were cracked and bruised. I lived space. All day you clatter forward-a there twenty-eight years and finally little uncertainly at times. There are struck it. Then I was appointed mysterious wayside halts in the wil-Alaska's governor.

terness, when you seem to have run "It's no use to tell all I've out of the world and been side-tracked hrough. I've worked hard in my days. far from the haunts of men; there are have seen Andy Burke several times waitings at tiny sidings from which ince we were shipped west from not a habitation is visible, and where Randall's Island. It's a satisfaction to the only possible traffic appears to be now, however, that two street waifs wild buck or an occasional stray bulvith not a thing in the world, with lock. The land is empty. The swarms hardly a friend in the world, with evof natives you expected to see are abery obstacle to battle, have at least sent: the country looks deserted. Space made some success in the world. -only space. Now and then there There's no use for any boy to say he

glides into the picture a town with a The opportunity is has. no chance. name known to history, the site of a before him every day. The obstacles siege, the field of a battle. The imhe has to overcome are not too great pression it leaves is simply one of in-There is room and work and a place significance. No ordinary town could for them all." look imposing upon such a plan.

All day the train toils onward, grow ng weary at times as though dis-

The Farmer Grows Wiser. heartened at the miles which still "You can't fool the farmer any more stretch ahead. A few herds of goats

on merchandise for his farm," said the proprietor of an agricultural store as to take action upon theological or ecor cattle; a shy figure in the distance, which makes you think of the harried wrote down a large order for a clesiastical matters; a "nuncio" is a certain fertilizer. "Time was when diplomatic representative of the peo-Bushman o rthe wild Vaal pens: now ou could sell a farmer anything in ple. The apostolic delegate to the and then a hivelike krall away under the shade of some trees. But no incident, no break-never was there such sked. It was a fat time for the manufacturers of fertilizers, but that time He has no diplomatic standing here, nonotony. Yet you can not conjure up Now the man who tills but in ecclesiastical affairs his jurisdifferent picture. Even in imaginas all past. he soil must know all about what the diction is of the ancient legatine charion you cannot transform the veldt. market offers for enriching crops. He acter. The establishment of the nun-It was thus when the shelter of the insists that he be given the formula cio is called the "nunciature."

of every fertilizer on the market, and he knows whether too much phosphorus, potash, etc., predominates. He

knows what his soil needs most; he improved. But a clever housekeeper Sunset is as wonderful as the dawn. understands that certain The still, cloudless sky darkens rapmand a certain sort of enrichment of says otherwise. She declares that idly as the sun sinks below the rim the earth and that other crops necessiof the plain. A solitary opje becomes tate an entirely different sort of an be bettered 100 per cent by the judipurple, then black, a fitting haunt for enrichment. In the oid days he'd dump some robber chief, the terror of whose anything on his land and trust to luck Here are the combinations she has name has desolated the countryside. that things would grow all right: same The last glorious glow, which no paintway with tools. He won't buy a farmer could reproduce, dies away, and a chill breeze sighs through the dry ing implement until he has some ac-The train puffs wearily on in tual knowledge of its worth. It's all the blackness of the night; ever for- because of the agricultural colleges grass. ward with the searchlight before the which spread agricultural information funnel, like a huge eye sweeping the gratis into the country towns, so that a farmer can hardly help learning a and to find a human being. thing or two."-New York Press. In the middle of the night there happens a curious thing. The country

to Tommy-What are you crying of orange added. becomes peopled. There is a grinding about? Jimmy-Why, every time Uncle Ned sees my baby brother he addition of sliced oranges. stop. A few lights flicker, hoarsed voices shout unintelligible orders, says: "What a bouncing baby!" and this morning I let him drop to see him there arises a banging and a clattering

formation of religious corporations trade has been developing far faster and if the religious corporations are than in England, and gold goes where not so formed, the church property in trade is most active. In France, the stock of gold in the Bank of France the various cities and communes f France in which the property is situhas risen from £24,000,000 in 1880 to ated is to be turned over to the state £115,000,000 in 1905. It has thus This transfer has, in fact, been in probeen more than quadrupled, and even gress all this week. After the churchtoday it is £112,000,000. France has are seized they may be used as the an ample supply, but her bank auatres, stables, courthouses, or for any thorities are careful not to part with ecular purpose whatever. To Caththeir gold when they can possibly olics this is a source of much grief, as prevent it. some, if not all the churches are con-

Germany maintained in 1880 a secrated, and in all the secrifice of stock of only £9,600,000 in the vaults the mass has been many times offered of the Reichsbank of Berlin, in addi--the supreme act of Catholic wortion of course, to the military war ship. The churches are declared to chest of coined gold at Spendau, on he worth \$40,000,000, and there are which the nation can fall back as a monasteries and last reserve in the hour of war. She trebled this amount between 1880 schools.

Forced to Leave France

Some of the features of the new law are such that the religious orders ould not comply with them, and the members have been leaving France 'or some time. It has been a great hardship for the monks, nuns, Christian Brothers, and the teaching orders generally to give up the home to a supply of only £5,600,000, which by which they were accustomed and to the skill of its financial authorities go out into the world, especially to strange countries. Some of the nuns and which has been as high as £49,have come to the United States, and

received the red hat in 1889.

found worth making:

also welcome addition.

blueberries in the larger quantity.

000,000 in 1904. there is at least one order situated In Italy and Russia, though the near Baltimore. They have found figures are not available, the same atfriends here, and manage to support tention has been shown to the gold themselves by certain kinds of work. reserve. Russia had at the end of and even by cultivation of the land. 1905 an amount of £74,000,000, or The old people among the men and nearly . three times the British one. women of the religious orders in Italy had at the end of the same year France, felt the rigor of the expulsion a supply of £25,000,000 in gold, which very much. in the present year has been raised

Will Leave France to £28,000,000. In the United States Cardinal Richard is among those the treasury at the end of 1905 had who will leave France, or at least gold of the value of £38,000,000 in abandon his residence. He is eightyits vaults, against an amount of £24,six years old, and in his long career 000,000 in 1880.

has seen the overthrow of the royal-Thus France, Germany, Austria, ty and of the empire. He was born Russia and the United States all keep in Nantes in 1819, and is a descendant a larger stock of gold than does imof an ancient and noble family. He provident England. All, or most of them, have increased their stock to Some of the terms used in the discorrespond with the growth in the patches from France may puzzle gold production. Italy, with infinitereaders. A "schismatic church" is ly smaller requirements and obligaone that belongs to the Catholic faith, tions than the United Kingdom, has but refuses to recognize the papal aucertainly quintupled her stock of gold thority. "The holy see" is the see of in the last twenty-five years, while Rome, which was the see of Peter, England rests content with practicaland the Bishop of Rome has jurisdicly the same quantity of the precious tion over all the others. "Parochial metal as in the past and trusts to luck

clergy" are those of a parish; a "synto bring her through any serious criod" is a council or assembly of divines It is not as though the British Empire did not produce gold in immense quantities. The mines of the Rand, before the Radicals got to work upon he way of fertilizer and no questions United States is not a nuncio, but in them were turning out £20,000,000 some respects his authority is similar. worth annually; the Australian output last year was £17,104,000. and the Canadian production £2,886,000. The United States stood next to South Africa, with a production of £17,268,-

000 worth .- London Daily Mail

Too BUSY TO WORK .- The way to New Ways to Use Fruits. command a good price is to never Fruit, one would think, could not be

cheapen one's stock in trade. At least that is the principle adopted by an crops de- who has made a study of the subject Ohio justice of the peace. This gentleman, says a writer in the Philadelmany a dish in which fruit figures can phia Ledger, has missed his calling. Given his opportunity, he would soon cious admixture of some other fruit. make a name among the humorists.

An attorney in a neighboring city wrote him to inquire about a judgment Blackberries and blueberries make a that had been entered against a client. better pie than either singly. Use the He inclosed a stamp for reply. Several days later he received a postal card With very sweet blueberries, lemon bearing this message:

juice and rind or a little rhubarb is "Your inquiry received. I beg to inform you that my time is mighty Combine quinces with sweet apples valuable just now. Corn cutting is Fresh figs or dried figs make a demost nigh here, politics is sizzling and licious preserve-better yet with a bit the bass fishing is fine. If you would inclose a dollar bill it might stimulate

Tomato preserve is improved by the me some. I paid \$2 onct to a lawyer Tarts of orange marmalade are im-

for answering a question, and all he

coast settlements come into the unknown. It is thus today. It will be thus in a decade-perhaps in a century.

landscape holds nothing to attract

