THE MIRACLE OF LAVA CANYON.

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HE sheriff of Siskiwah county had a secret. He never told it to his best friend, but it was never out of his own mind. He was a physical coward. A shot fired set his heart beating wildly, and he turned sick at strife and carnage. His pulse beats averaged 95 per minute and his heart turned cold every time a summons for arrest was placed in his hands. He experienced a sensation of nervous dread each time he swung himself upon the back of his high spir ited horse. Every sudden sound conveying presage of danger thrilled him with fright. His disposition was high strung, sensitive and unalterably timid And yet "Red" Conrad was known as the coolest and most courageous sheriff in this territory. He had attained this reputation by a dally and hourly struggle with his whole moral force against his natural weakness. His fear of dan ger, great as it was, had been subord! nated to a greater fear lest his falling be known. How to hide his cowardice from the world was his one aim. With a cold fear in his heart he sought danger with the eagerness of one who loved its every phase. Quiet, persistent plodding in his way, without any of the western dash and audacity belonging to most men in his occupation, he continually sought the closest risks and hazards, driven by an abnormal desire to appear fearless. Men who had no conception of the meaning of the word "fear" sometimes stood apart, aghast at the man's daring, and admired him. Apparently without the slightest excitement, almost sullen of aspect, be trailed desperate criminals to their rendezvous, engaged in combat against mighty odds and waged such relentless war upon desperadoes and outlaws that his fame as an upholder of law and order was spread far and wide. Radeliff Conrad kept his secret well.

Not a man in Siskiwah county had ever seen him flinch from his duty, and tales were told in saloons and camps of his intrepidity and recklessness. The sheriff's personal appearance

aided him. He was strongly and finely formed. He possessed a blond head of classic mold and a steel blue eye under good control. His inward struggles kept him at a tension that gave him a reserved and somewhat preoccupied manner, and his every action seemed the result of deliberation instead of impulse. The giving away to impulse was the thing he was trying to avoid. He felt that some day his moral courage would fall him and he would stand stripped to the gaze of his friends the coward that he knew himself to be No monkish ascetic ever scourged his fleshly sins as Radellff Conrad did his one egregious failing. How well he succeeded in triumphing over it his fame in Lava Canyon and indeed in the mouths of men as far as the sagebrush grew to east and west attested.

There came one cruel day when the sheriff was forced to apply the whin to his tortured spirit with double force. The town of Lava Canyon was built on a stretch of plain sloping down to a river from the exit of a mountain gulch. Within this gulch was a tangled wildness. Two miles back from the town it converged to a fissure half a mile deep like a sword cut cleaving the hills. The sides for its whole extent were inaccessible except to the rattlesnakes that made their dens among the bowlders. Within the edge of the gulch where the densely wooded sides began to straighten to steeper angles stood the white painted cottage of Emmet Reed, the postmaster and leading dealer in hardware, cutlery, arms and ammunition. Here beside the mountain stream and among the moss grown rocks played the juvenile Reeds, little more than rushes in size, watched over more or less carefully by Boadicea,

aged 20, eldest daughter of the house. To these confines late one afternoon came Arizona Dan, worst man in the county, after breaking half a thousand dollars' worth of mirrors and glass ware in the principal places of entertainment and introducing sundry slugs of lead into various citizens, to their great bodily anguish. Dan was not too drunk to entertain a wholesome fear of Rad Conrad, and it was his intention to conceal himself until darkness should lend him cover to escape.

On being apprised of these events the sheriff of the county, recognizing his duty, prepared to effect Dan's capture. A brave man in his place who properly estimated the value of a good citizen's life in comparison with the vital spark of a degenerate like Arizona Dan as a furtherance of the survival of the fittest idea would have summon ed a posse and by moral force of numbers would have secured the surrender of the offender without risk of bloodshed. Radeliff Conrad was not the man to do this. He shunned all appearance of lack of courage, as he desired in his heart to shun the danger. "What arms did he have?" asked the

sheriff of some men who had seen Arizona Dan's retreat to the gulch. "Nary a one," said a saloon keeper

who had suffered from the fugitive's iconoclasm. "He left both his guns in my place."

The sheriff unbuckled his revolver and shoved it across the counter. "Keep that for me," he said. "I'll go

and get Dan. He passed slowly down the street,

walking in the direction of the gulch, and the men gazed after him admiringly. "Never knew what bein afraid was,

Rad never!" said the mail carrier. "He 'uz born that a-way," said the county clerk. "A man as ain't got no skeer in him don't deserve no credit fur havin sand. He wouldn't take his gun along 'cause Dan had left his'n. With a creetur like Dan it 'pears to me that's a leetle reckless. Dan over-

weighs Rad a matter of 25 pound the very least." In the gulch things were as usual to all appearances. The little mountain brook that dashed down the steep rocks puried in the deep shade and sent out diamond flashes where stray flecks of sunlight dived into it, and the birds in the redwood trees whistled away as though there was no such inharmonious and degraded thing as Arizona Dan somewhere below trying to conceal his desecrating presence. The

ittle Reeds were at School, and such noises as might have been heard by that legendary and overworked creaure the casual observer were sylvan and well attuned. A critic in sight harmony would also have found little o cavil at, unless his too fine drawn perceptions had deemed the aspect of Miss Boadicea Reed, who sat negligently in a grapevine swing, too unylphlike for perfect accord.

Miss Boadicea-called "Dicey" by her mmediate family and friends, a diminutive evolved from their original and irbitrary pronunciation of her namesounded a note which may have been a dissonance, but it had its true power of accentuating the soft melody of the wood. As she half reclined upon the giant vine her freshly starched white muslin crackled about a form whose measurements faltered not an Inch from the modern standard of perfection. Her glossy black hair was arranged in the latest fashion shown is the most recently arrived ladies' maga zine in Lava Canyon. Her features were clear ent and regular. She had the eyes of Melpomene and the heart of the ancient British queen whose name she bore.

Miss Boadleen Reed also had a se eret. Being a woman, her dearest friends had often heard it divulged but as it was a secret there needs must be those to whom it was not imparted That portion of humanity was the one denominated by Miss Reed as "the gentlemea." This awful secret was that she had never-no, never-felt the slightest sensation of fear or abashnent at any person or thing since she could remember.

Miss Boadicea despised and contemn d all the little feminine weaknesses and terrors of her sex with all the prei edice of one who did not understand them. Had she been born with time and circumstances in her favor she would have led the overturning of a dynasty or two, captured by force the rown of some social queendom or at least have gone up in a balloon as the special female representative of one of the several greatest newspapers on earth. Snakes, mice, dogs, spiders, gosslp, lightning, men, the partial list of the things regarded by Miss Reed with a serenity approaching contumely, will afford a slight conception of her intrepldity of spirit. In the presence of man, the lord of creation, she felt no twe. Living in a frontier mining town and possessing the attractions she dld, offers of marriage had come years be ore, but her suitors had never awak ned in her a feeling softer than comadeship. She had laughed at most of hem, pitched one out of the window nd informed them all that they "made ier tired." In fact, there was nothing a all creation, with or without life. hat had ever caused her a qualm or tremor. She regarded robbers as vulir persons beneath notice, serpents.

norned toads, mice and Gila monsters is uninteresting and unterrifying verin too insignificant to dread. Her seret ambition, cherished in good faith until she was 18, had been to dress in nan's clothes and travel round the world selling soap, or diamonds, or patent quartz crushers - anything would do. Since she was 20 her ideas had toned down to a firm resolve to be prima donna of an opera troupe, and the gulch had for many months echoed daily warblings that for clearess and volume, if not melodiousness, surpassed easily any voice in Lava Canyon. The form within the crinkling white muslin was a storage battery of

exhaust its energy. As Boadicea swung in the grapevine, some 300 yards up the gulch from the house, she turned her gaze idly toward a thick clump of bushes and saw an eye with a good deal of red in the normally white portion of it looking at her between the leaves.

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She sat bolt upright on the vine, and as it appeared to be a man's eye her and without any special volition of her brain went to the knot of hair at the back of her head, smoothed it a little and thrust in the pins securely. "Come out of there," she said.

Red faced and heavy eyed from drink, Arizona Dan, hitching up his revolverless belt, shuffled his huge form through the flexible branches of the bushes into the path.

"Sh-sh-sh!" he said, his heavy face folding into a dull smile intended to be reassuring. "I ain't a-goin to hurt "Hurt me!" said Miss Reed con

emptuously. "I should think not. What are you doing here?" "Just a layin low, miss, and waitin for night. You see, I was on what you

might call a sort of spree and broke a glass or two. Maybe somebody was hurt too. The whisky done it. A good lookin young lady like you, miss, wouldn't give the word on a man, now, I bet a hoss." Arizona Dan's lumbering attempt at

compliment produced no effect. Boadicen regarded him sternly with unswerving, disapproving eyes. "You don't want to be loafing around

hese diggings," she said, substituting the local form of parlance for her ordinarily more elevated style of conversation as being more worthy of her audlence. "You are not afraid, are you?" with infinite disdain.

"I sin't afraid," said Arizona Dan, shifting his feet uneasily, "except of bein took. I can't fight the whole town.

"Is any one after you?" "If they ain't, they will be. Rad Conrad's in town, and"-Arizona Dan broke off with an oath

and looked down the steep pathway. "Here he comes now." he muttered. Boadicea rose to her feet and peered over the tops of the intervening bushes. The sheriff, onarmed, in a light summer suit that set off to advantage his strong, graceful figure, was coming up the path with the sun striking gold-

hair. Boadicea looked upon him and loved. When within ten paces of his man, the sheriff took off his hat and wiped his brow with a silk handkerchief. "Dan," he said in an even tone, "

en lights from his head of curly blond

want you.' Arizona Dan drew a nine inch bowie knife from the leg of his boot. "Come and get me," he said, with a grin and a suggestive upward movement of his right hand.

The old, well known, nauseating, deathly, cowardly physical fear came

-It would appear that a man's life may twice be put in jeopardy for the same offence. Howard Curtis Benham, same offence. Howard Curtis Benham, of Batavia, N. Y., was charged with poisoning his wife, but was acquitted by the jury, Now the guardians of his both Fabruary 1. erty for which the crime is said to have been committed. The only issue in this new suit is as to whether Benham did or did not kill his wife, and a curious situation will develop should the present case go against him.

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blade held by the huge desperado n had come unarmed to capture. His pride and the wonderful moral puis sance that ground out courageous deeds from heart sinking apprehension urged him forward another step. Arizona Dan laughed a low, half sober but chilling laugh. So quiet it was that the voice of the brook sounded in the sheriff's ears like the derisive mockery of men at his poltroonery.

For one Instant Radeliff Conrad swung in the balance. An all pervading panic selzed him, and the foot he lifted to take a forward step weighed a hundred pounds. The rustling of a branch to his right above the path drew from him a swift glance, and he looked for ten seconds into two dark eyes that seemed to flash some strange, exalting essence into his veins. weight seemed loosened somewhere within him, and he felt that he could hear it fall down, down to unsounded depths. He looked at Arizona Dan and laughed low and joyously as a child does who has come upon a long desired toy.

"Will you come?" said the sheriff in tone a bridegroom might have used a cre, and when cleared they will produce a minimum of a bale of cotton to the to his bride.

"I'll cut your heart out, Rad Conrad," said Arizona Dan, "if you come two steps nearer."

Roadicea, on the ledge above, rustled a little and the sheriff, without looking up, smiled again. Arlzona Dan held his knife as one holds a foil, point outward, with his thumb against the guard. The sheriff crouched some three inches like a cat and seemed to gather himself together with his weight balanced evenly on each foot. Arizona Dan stood still with his kulfe ready Was Rad Conrad fool enough to attack him with his bare hands?

The sheriff could have shouted for Joy. Like a flash valor and audacious courage had come upon him. He felt that he would never know fear again Something had passed into his blood that had made him a man instead of the spurious being he had been. He felt the two dark eyes above fixed upon him, but he kept his own upon Arizona

Heretofore the sheriff's exploits had een attended by a fortuitous chance that brought him safely out of them-a chance just as blind and incomprehensible as that which guards the ways of children and drunkards. Now he felt the caution, the indomitable intent to do coupled with the prudence of the successful general that gives bravery its value. Half a miracle had been ac continually some object upon which to complished. The other half was to fol-

It must have been that Arizona Dan's nerves were unstrung by his debauch, else when a small stone dislodged by Boadicen's foot rattled down to the path at his side he would not have been all around. Five years path at his side he would not have been all around. Five years ago the red cypress men, who were then the content of the path at his side he would not have been that Arizona Dan's and bought up tracts by the tens of thousands of acres, good yellow pine lands are being but infrequently offered and prices have jumped up to at least 100 per cent all around. Five years ago the red cypress men, who were then the content of the buildings those formerly occupied by penitentiaries.

—Both Arkansas and Mississippi, which are to have new Sta'e Houses, to cost about \$1,000,000 each, have, by a singular coincidence, selected as the sites for the buildings those formerly occupied by penitentiaries.

—The statistics on homicides in the United States for 1900, as compiled by the chicago Tribune, show a total of 8,275 an increase over last year of 2,050. From 1895 to 1899 there was a steady decrease from year to year, the total fallhead quickly to look. But he did so, feeling b ue over the dull condition of knife arm by the wrist and his other arm about his waist. Then Arizona Dan was filled with surprise to feel the arm that held his knife slowly twisting in spite of all his resistance-twisting available merchantable red cypress timoutward, until the tendons and muscles were cracking. The sheriff's hand was like a steel clamp, and when the pain like a steel clamp, and when the pain grew unbearable Arizona Dan dropped the knife. When the sheriff heard it ring on the rocks, he released the wrist suddenly and laid his left forearm ucross Dan's threat. They were too close for blows, and there was little

struggling or shifting of ground. The arm across Arizona Dan's throat pushed his head back, and the other fron band about his waist held him close. It was a silent, fierce, straining contention on one side for the cisplacement and on the other to regain the center of gravity. The side for displacement won, and the girdlators went down with a crash. L. small bowlder in the way of Arizens Dan's head left him lying in a dispraceful heap oblivious to defeat. The sheriff knelt upon the vanquished dis ributer of leaden largess, drew cords t wm his pocket and ignominiously bould him hand and foot. Then he spran; to his feet and turned his flushed free and ellow curls to the source of lis new being as a sunflower turns to the sun.

Boadicea slid down through the bushes like a young panther.
"You're a jim dandy," she suid, "If

there ever was one. I saw it. I"-She stopped suddenly. The sheriff was looking straight into her eyes. She felt for the first time a strange heat in her cheeks and thought sl.e must have fever. Her eyes slowly dropped for the first time before another's. tongue for the first time tripped and

faltered. "It'll be dark soon," began the sheriff, and his voice sounded to her far away like the wind in the pines "You'd better let me walk back to the house with you. I'll bring a horse back for this chap by the time he recovers. You are Miss Reed, I think. I know your father."

The evening breeze rustled airily through the redwoods. A squirrel frisked up a hickory, and the first owl hoot came from the shadows about the brook. The brook's babble no longer mocked; it sang a prean of praise. As they walked down the path together a scream of fright came from the name sake of the battle queen of the Brit-

"A horrid lizard!" she cried. The sheriff's strong arm reassured her. The miracle was complete. The soul of each had passed into the other.

-Father Chadwick, chaplain of the battleship Maine when she was blown

pant in the battle, having been one of -During a revival meeting at Kempton to aid Col. Moultrie. This rainting, ton, Ind., a penitent confessed, as his long lost to view, was recently found in excellent preservation. Dr. White has greatest sin. that he had voted for Bryan, after accepting \$20 to cast his ballot for McKinley. "Hereafter," cried the conexcellent preservation. Dr. White has already given three of his father's paintings to the government. — Baltimore vert, "I will vote as they pay me."

> CASTORIA. The Kind You Have Always Bought The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the

The Development of Our Lumber and Mineral Wealth Has Only Jackson Day Banquet at Omaha !

A correspondent of the Manufacturers'

and the iron trade and says :

of building small branch lines to open

and like the famous black lands of

'The idle timber lands of this section

than in any other part of the nation. There is so much to do down here, and the rewards are so certain and so rich,

there is a disposition to wonder why any

ambitious young man will remain in the overcrowded East and North, where

conditions are fixed and opportunities

for original, individual effort growing less every year, while in many parts of

this country a most primitive conditions

prevail, and a development work re mains to be done which it will take gen

While on the subject of timber lands

I must record an astonishing change which has occurred since I was down

here about five years ago. At that time

timber lands were almost a drug in the

real estate market and any amount of good lands could be bought for some-

where around \$6 an acre. Now one has to hunt for 'bargains' at anything less

that \$5 an acre. Lumber men from Michigan and Wisconsin have come in

trade, agreed with a promoter to sell out

these same people, who

their holdings, plants and all for \$7,000

compose about 80 per cent of those

engaged in the red cypress industry and

then, are snapped up now at \$12 per

Hon, WM. L. TRENHOLN. - The death

of William L. Trenholm, which took place in New York on the 11th inst., of

the currency during President Cleve

then has been in New York.

and's first administration, and since

Mr. Trenholm was born in Charleston

S C., February 3, 1836, and graduated

from the South Carolina College in 1855,

marrying a year later Miss Louise Mac beth, of Charleston. He was a member

of the United States civil service com-

currency from 1886 to 1889. After leav-

the American Surety Company, which position he held until 1898, when he be

came president of the North American

Frust Company. He was the author of

Chamber of Commerce, the Southern

one book, "The People's Money."
He was a member of the New York

and numerous social and other clubs in

WOMAN'S UNDYING LOVE .- Governo

Mount, of Indiana, who has just retired

from office, pardoned as one of his last official acts Wm. W. Kennedy, who was

entenced to prison for life in 1885 for

the murder of David Baker at Greens-

burg. Ind. Kennedy was paroled in 1897 and has for several months been at-

tached to the sanitary service in Hav-

ana. The case attracted national atten-

tion because of the efforts of Kate Ken-

nedy, the convicted man's sister, to se

cure his pardon. She has appealed to

every Governor since her brother's con-

viction, but without success until now.

For several years Miss Kennedy, in man's garb, traveled over the country in

an endeavor to locate the real murderer.

an opportunity to interview tramps and criminals, with the view to ascertain

was suffering. She, of course, always concealed her identity.

THE BATTLE OF FORT MOULTRIE.

Dr. Octavius A. White, of New York, has

just presented to the government, through Senator Tillman of South Caro-lina, a painting of "The Battle of Fort

Moultrie," executed in 1815 by his father,

John Blake White, one of the earliest American historical artists. The pic

ture, which covers a canvas 3 by 5 feet,

represents the gallant defense on June

Sullivan, at the entrance of Charleston harbor, by Col. Moultrie and a small force of men and twenty-six guns against a British fleet of ten ships, under Sir Peter Parker, resulting in American victory. The artist's feature measurements of the same of the sa

tory. The artist's father was a partici-

the volunteers who went from Charles-

1776, of what was then called Fort

ing Washington he became president of

mission in 1885 and comptroller of the

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acre, as we'l as other crops.

evident that here will be a rich field

Senator Tillman has returned to Record, who has spent a month of travel and observation in the South and South-Washington from attendance at the Jefferson Club banquet held in Omaha, west, finds everywhere in that part of the country a feeling of prosperity, with merchants and manufacturers, railroad men and planters, farmers and men who cratic leader, William Jennings Bryan, men and planters, farmers and men who work for day's wages having smiles on their faces and money in their pockets, and sharing in the belief that never before has the South been so well off. The impression prevails that the good times Bryan," said the Senator when interviewed on the subject at the Capitol. fore has the South been so well off. The impression prevails that the good times now prevailing will not end until there has been a development of the South's viewed on the subject at the Capitol.
"My relations with Mr. Pryan are not strained in the last and I had a very resources approaching the advances made in other parts of the country. In analyzing the situation the correspond plain talk with him on the political situation. I told him, as I told the peoent gives due credit to ten cent cotton, accompanied by a diversification of crops, to the confidence of the people born of achievement, and to the conseple at the Jefferson banquet, that it is ple at the Jefferson banquet, that it is too early for me to commit myself to any candidate or any specific platform which might be binding in 1994. I don't think I was misunderstood on that subject, for I have a way of trying to express myself clearly when I have any thing to say. I don't believe the gentier man, at the beneat in Omaha misunders. quent encouragement to greater exer-tion. He gives a giance at the strong position gained in cotton manufacturing But there are other lines in which an important development is going on about which there is not so great popular knowledge. In railroad building the South and Southwest now show a great south s m n at the banquet in Omaha misunder-stood me and I don't believe Mr. Bryan misunderstood me. In fact, he seemed to be impressed with my views on the subject from the fact that when he reached Chicago he stated there that he degree of activity, but if anyone will take even a casual survey of the map of the section it will become apparent that railroad building down here is by no means complete. There are several North and South lines of great imporintended to take his place as a private in the Democratic ranks and fight for

the principles of the party as long as he

"I cannot," said the Senator, "be re

sponsible for the imaginary statements

which newspaper reporters make con

tance, and which probably will meet all requirements for many years to come, but an examination will show large areas wholly devoid of transportation facilities. And yet in many of these exceptions there are the same and the same area of the same area. cerning my attitude towards Mr Bryan in the future. I do not regret going to Omaha, as some of the newspapers have sections there are vast forests of the finest timber, minerals of great variety and commercial value, and land which when cleared will make as good farms stated. On the contrary I am glad went, because I had a royal good t me I could not have received a greater ovation than that which was given me at the banquet at Omaha. I gave them my ideas of Democracy right from the as lie outdoors. Already there are numerous undertakings on foot in the way shoulder and they who ped it up for me in great shape. I set them crazy when I pitched into Cleveland. I wish you up tracts of the character named, and it for development work by both railroad constructors and real estate operators. Take Mississippi for instance. Off the line of the railroads there are thousands ould have heard them shout when I tore sim to pieces, and the rest of the gang who worship at the Cleveland strine, who want to reorganize the Democratic party, but who go to the polls on election day and vote the Republican ticket. I did not pose as a leader of the and thousands of acres of timber which will cut from 10,000 to 20,000 feet to the Democratic party, but I told them that did represent the sent ments of the Democratic party of South Carolina. I lands may be bought for from \$6 to \$10 per acre. The soil is an alluvial deposit told them I had been elected to the Gov Texas, which now bring from \$30 to \$50 per acre, these lands can be worked for years without using any fertilizers. ernorship, once to the United States Senate and have been endorsed for re elecon for another term in the Senate alone, it seems to me, offer opportuni-ties for almost illimitable profitable

> entiments," continued the Senator enthusiastically "Why," he added, "they jumped up and shouted and yelled like o many wild Ind ans. Then some fel w proposed that the whole company oin in singing 'Dixie' in my honor. They got stuck on the words - as a matter of fact they didn't know them

> INDUSTRIAL AND GENERAL

line days out of the year.

—The Ohio man who placed his tongue on a frosty rail and narrowly escapen decapitation by an approaching traid furnishes a new and thrilling situation tention from both sides of the House, and at the conclusion of his remarks he was liberally applauded by the advocates of the minority bill. for the writers of melodrama.

ength of about 172 miles exclusive tunnels, no less than 1,384 artificial

Oo per mile. from 1780, when the first school of the kind was started by Robert Raikes, at are 110,000 Sunday schools in the United | would be forced to quit business Statas, with 1,500,000 teachers and 9,000, 000 pupils. The new proposal to employ

paid teachers for Sunday schools is simply a revival of what Raikes did in pneumonia, will be deeply regretted in South Carolina. He was comptroller of his first school. -Between the towns of Los Angeles and Pasadena, in Southern California, at any formal banquet of forty her custhere has been constructed an overhead path for the exclusive use of cyclists. The path is built of wood, varies from three feet to fifty feet in height, and has an average gradient of one in eighty. The path accommodates four machines abreast and is it there are the food and the partakers. It is a grace almost childlike in its straightforward sincerity. abreast, and is lit thoroughly by electric

-Hollanders smoke more than any other Europeans. Tobacco is cheap in in their country, and nearly all the grown males find solace in their pipes. The habit is so common that the boat-men of Holland measure distances by smoking, estimating the length of any given journey by the number of pipefuls which may be smoked by a person Society, the American Society of Science | while covering the distance.

-President Hardy, of the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Starkville where four hundred of the young men of the State of Mississippi are being taught, announces that there is not a boy in his school who smokes. Six months ago more than half the student body were smokers, but during that only one has been reported as smoking, and he has since quit. No harsh messures were used in bringing about this great reformation. The president simply expressed his wish, explained the effects of smoking the cigarette, and ap-

pealed to the boys to be men. -The New York Evening Journal says warrants have been issued for the arrest of four persons accused of swind ling the Colonial Insurance Company of Jersey City by securing insurance on the lives of persons about to die and by She tramped her way and never missed other methods. The four for whom the warrants were issued include a newspaper editor, the beneficiary under one ing the whereabouts of the man for whose crime she claimed her brother taker and a prize fighter, who acted as agent for the company. Thomas J. Kelly, of New York, said to be an agent of the Colonial Insurance Company, has been arrested and locked up in the Jersey City jail.

-The prospects for a big Appalachian rark in the moun ain reg on of North Carolina seems very bright. Secretary Wilson has just submitted to the Pres ident a recommendation to urge Congress to pass the necessary appropriation, and it is thought the President will report the same to Congress. There is \$5,000,000 for the appropriation of Pritchard has offered a bill in the Senate for this purpose. The Senator's measure provides for a reservation of 2,000,000 acres in the Southern Appalachian mountain region of the Old North State. The bill has been referred to the appropriate committee for consideration.

-Mr. John P. Thomas' county solicitor bill provides that his duties are to be to assist the coroner at all inquests and to collect evidence for the use of the cir cuit solicitor in the prosecution of homicide cases : to advise with the coroner ag to the handling of autopsies, and no autopsy to be held without the consent of the county or the circuit solicitor; to be the legal advisor of the county board of commissioners in civil cases.

upon the sheriff as he saw the shining RESOURCES OF THE SOUTH. ON GOOD TERMS WITH BRYAN THE APPORTIONMENT BILL.

Tillman's Own Account of the South Carolina's Delegation Will Not be Reduced.

The House of Representatives, by a vote of 165 to 102, accepted the reap portionment plan proposed by the Burleigh bill which increases the member-ship of the House during the next decade from 357, the present membership and the membership proposed by the com-mittee or Hopkins bill, to 386. The result was largely brought about by the influence of certain Senators from several of the larger Northern States who threw the weight of their influence in the scale in favor of the larger mem-bership. When it became apparent that bership. When it became apparent that these factors were at work against his bill, Mr. Hopkins attempted to compromise by giving an additional representative each to North Dakota, Colorado and FloHda, but his adversaries refused to compromise after complete victory was assured. The Crumpacker proposition to recommit the bill for the rpose of ascertaining what Sate abridged the right to vote to an extent which would entail reduced representa-tion was defeated 130 to 110. There was no roll call on the vote but a number of Republicans voted with the Demo

Under the bill as passed no State loses a representative and the following make gains: Illinois, New York and Texas three each; Minnesota, New Jersey and Pennsylvania two each; Arkansas, Cali fornia Colorado, Connecticut, Florida Louisiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi Louisiana, Massachusetts, Mississippi Missouri, North Carolina, North Dakets Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin one each.

The bill provides that whenever a new State is admitted the representatives assigned to it shall be in addition to the number provided in the bill. It also adds a provision, never hitherto incorporated in a reapportionment bill to which has to be filled by larg the effect that Congressional districts in portations, mainly from Russia. addition to being "contiguous" shall al-o be compact States which are allowed additional representatives by the bill shall, by its terms, elect them at large until the Legislature shall redistrict the

Representative Stanyarne Wilson, who is a member of the House census com-mittee, delivered a strong speech in op-position to the pa-sage of the Hopkins apportionment bill, and advocating the passage of the minority bill, which pro-vided for a house of 386 members instead of 357. Mr. Wilson in his address ointed out the fact that the Hopkins oill is a violation of all precedents in the framine of an apportionment law, both under the old dispensation, which prevailed prior to 1840, and the new, which without opposition, and my commission would be due in a few weeks. Repreites for almost illimitable profitable operations. The distance between the development of any one of these South western States and the conditions which prevail in Massachusetts, for instance, reveals the reason why the South is to day pointed out as the section above all cept the leadership of or surrender my principles to such a party and to such a principles to such a party and to such a principles to such a party and to such a connecticut, Indiana and Illinois, while the Democrats, if they carry those States, in the House of the same that Cleveland crowd. which has been advocated by Webster. He argued that the minority measure is the fairest of all the apportionment reflect the featership of or surfement my principles to such a party and to such a leadership as that Cleveland crowd.

"You should have seen that crowd shout and yell when I uttered those could secure a majority in the House III and the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach that the could secure a majority in the House III attach the I He stated that the only salvation of the Democratic party in the future, if a Democratic president is again to be inaugurated in Washington, is through carrying the States referred to.

Mr. Wilson spent some little time in referring to the State election laws of ter of fact they didn't know them -so seuth Carolina, defending the State from attacks which have been made upon it by Representatives Olmstead and Crumpacker and others who would reduce her representation in Congress, owing to the disfranchisement of the negro voters, and he argued that the -The average illness in human life is South was working for the best interests of both the colored and white races. He spoke for one hour, receiving close attention from both sides of the House,

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