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didn't say too much," was coned reply. And then: "Billy, aths ago I was jerked out of in life and set down in an where practically every find learned as a boy and man to be forgotten. I don't know making it understandable to

wheel. "I've had to turn two or ly toward the rank of bunk houses. stittle double somersaults myself the years that are gone."

They used to call me 'Monty Boy there in Lawrenceville, and I fitthe name," Smith went on. "I've Lind to do the best I could out I found that I had a hody that dutand man-sized hardship, and a of savage nerve that could give



Used to Call Me Monty-Boy." take punishment, and a soul that could drive both body and nerve to the Also, I've found out what it mana to love a woman."

Starbuck checked the car's speed a more to keep it well in the sear of the ambling cavalende.

That's your one best bet, John, he maid noberty.

The Pre cleaned out another room you called me down back yonder Die Little Creek rond, Starbock, I can't trust my own leadings any more; are altogether too primitive and whall so I'm going to take hers. She'd me into this fight that is just f of us, and all the other fights goming, with a heart big to take in the whole world. naid I'd understand, some day Pd know that the only great man one who is too big to be little; who can fight without hating; who can die make good, if that is the only way that offers."

"That's Corry Baldwin, every day in the week, John. They don't make any finer than she is," was Starek's comment. And then: "I'm beming to kick myself, for not letting you go and have one more round up with her. She's doing you good, right

You didn't stop me," Smith af it "you merely gave me a chance to stop myself. It's all over now, Billy my little race is about run. wer happens to me, either the or beyond it, I shall be a free You can't put handcuffs on a and send it to prison, you know. That is what Corons was trying to make me understand; and I couldn't-

Over a low hill just shead the polehated lights at the dam were starsing themselves against the sky, and the group of horsemen balted at the and of the railroad treatle which marked the location of the north side alloading station. Harding had sent we of his men forward and they repried that there were no guards on he north bank, and that the stagings, the down stream face of the dam. mere also unguarded. Thereupon hand. Harding made his dispositions. Half the posse was to go up the northern way of the stagings. The remain- go over and serve them. ing half also on foot, was to cross at once on the railroad trestle, and to make Its approach by way of the wagon road skirting the mesa foot at an agreed-upon signal, the two desechments were to close in upon the company buildings in the construction camp, trusting to the surprise and the attack from opposite directions to overome any disparity in numbers.

At Smith's urgings, Starbuck went the party which crossed by way of the railroad trestle, Smith himself inving the sheriff's detachment. the horses left behind under and the trestle hand, the up-river was made by both parties multaneously, though in the darkand with the breadth of the river rements of the other. Smith kept place beside Harding, and to the erists query he answered that he

> Harding made, and at that the stone debris in the

> > The dam and the unes house, still figuring

were deserted, but there were lights in the commissary, in the office shack, lift; then he caught the eye of the engiand in Blue Pete Simms' canteen doggery. From the latter quarter sounds one available hand. of revelry rose above the spillway thunderings, and now and again a drunken figure furched through the you are," broke in the man at open door to make its way uncertain-

> Harding was staring into the farther nimbus of the electric rays, trying to pick up some sign of the other half of his toose, when Smith made a sug-

"Both of your parties will have the workmen's bunk houses in range, Mr. Harding, and we mustn't forget that Colonel Baldwin and Williams are prisoners in the timekeeper's shack, spiilways, Bartley-shut 'em quick!" If the gans have to be used-"

out of ten. But here's hopin' we can ideator can get here!" gather 'em in without the guns. It is they ain't lookin' for us -

song of a lacketed bullet passing oversetting the example by sliding into the ready-made trench afforded by the dry disch of the outlet canal; and as he said it a sharp fusiliade broke out. with fire spurtings from the commissary building and others from the mesa beyond to show that the surprise was balked in both directions.

"They must have had scouts out," was Smith's word to the sheriff, who was cautiously reconnectering the newly developed situation from the shelter of the canal treach. "They are your plan in the head. Your men can't cross these stagings under fire.

"Your 'wops' are all right, unyway," said Harding. "They're pouring out of the bunk houses and that saloon over there and taking to the hills like a flock o' seared chickens." Then to the range on that commissary shed. Thut's where most of the rustlers are at Starbuck

perhaps. Smith would have begged a weapon and flung himself into the fray with blood last blinding him to everything save the battle demands of the moment. But now the final milestone in the long road of his metamorphosis had been possed and the darksome valley of clemental passions was left behind.

"Hold up a minute, for God's sake!" he plended bastily. "We've got to give are that every man in that commissary believes that M'Graw has the law on his side and we are not sure that he hasn't. Anyway, they don't know that they are trying to stand off a sheriff's posse

Harding's chuckle was surdonic. first? That might do back in the country where you came from. the man that can get into that camp over there with the serving papers now'd have to be armor-plated. I

annecessary bloodshed-I won't stand | Williams' cot in the office shack.

Harding shrugged his heavy shoulders. "One round into that sheet-iron commissary shack'll bring 'em to time and nothing else will. I hain't got any men to throw away on the dewdahs and furbelows."

Smith sprang up and held out his

"You have at least one man that you can spare, Mr. Harding," he dismounted, and rush the camp snapped. "Give me those papers. I'll queried.

At this the big sheriff promptly lost

"You blamed fool!" he burst out. You'd be dog-ment before you could get ten feet away from this ditch !" "Never mind; give me those papers I'm not going to stand by quietly and see a lot of men shot down on the

chance of a misunderstanding!" "Take 'em, then!" rusped Harding, meaning nothing more than the calling of a foolish theorist's bluff.

Smith caught at the warrants, and before anybody could stop him he was down upon the stagings, swinging himself from bent to bent through a storm of bullets coming not from the commissary, but from the saloon shack on the opposite bank-a whistling shower of lead that made every man in the sheriff's party duck to cover.

How the volunteer process-server ever lived to get across the bridge of death no man might know. Thrice in not a nerve," was all the the half-minute dash he was hit; yet there was life enough left to carry him the slight elevation and stumbling across the last of the staging bents; to send him recling up the runway at the end and across the a querry cutting the view working yard to the door of the comthe camp mastheads was missary, waving the folded papers like an inadequate flag of truce as he fell

> on the doorstep. After that, all things were curiously hazy and undefined for him. There was the tumult of a flerce battle bethe millway ling waged over him; a deafening rifle | henefit of the doubt. They'll have to ned to their life and the apat-spat of bullets punc- show me, and half a dozen of us, beturing the sheet-iron walls of the com-In the midst of it he lost

Protesting feebly and trying to rise, ! On the opposite side of the river armed men and the returning throug whom Colonel Baldwin was appealing. the dam head and the camp street of laborers; saw Colonel Baldwin and Williams talking excitedly to the sher-

> "Hold still, until I can find out how ! fiams came and bent down to listen, you can do that much for us?" Smith found a voice, shrill and strident and so little like his own that he promptly.

scarcely recognized it. "Call 'em out-eall the men out and

"There won't be any wild shooting, muchinery is starting right now," said leaving Stanton and his confederates, urned the sheriff grindy. "There And then tocStarbuck: "For Heaven's named principals, languishing baitless du't a single man in this posse that sake, do something for him, Billy-in fall; of how Smith, the hero of all can't hit what he nims at, nine times anything to keep him with us until a these occasions, was still lying at the

Smith felt himself smilling foolishly "I don't need any doctor, Bartley; stand some star-some chance of findhead, followed by the crack of a rifle, ing -" he looked up appealingly at Down, buys!" said the sheriff softly, Sturbuck- "what is it that I'd stand some chance of fluding, Billy? 1-1 cun't seem to remember."

> Williams turned his face away and Starbuck tightened his benumbing grip upon the severed artery in the bared arm from which he had cut the sleeve. Smith seemed to be going off again, but he suddenly opened his eyes and pointed frantically with a tinger of the one serviceable hand, "Catch him! "atch him!" he shrilled. He's going to dy-dynamite the dam!"

Clinging to consciousness with evidently ready for us, and that knocks grip that not even the blood loss could brenk, Smith saw Williams spring to his feet and give the alarm; saw three or four of the sheriff's men drop their weapons and hurl themselves upon another man who was trying to make his way unnoticed to the stagings with a box of dynamite on his men: "Scatter out, buys, and get his shoulder. Then he felt the foolish smile coming again when he looked up

"Tell the little girl-tell her-you Two days earlier, two hours earlier, know what to tell her, Billy; about what I tried to do. Harding said I'd get killed, but I remembered what she sald, and I didn't care. Tell her I said that that one minute was worth living for-worth all it cost."

The rancous blast of a freak auto born ripped into the growling murinur of the gate nurchinery, and a dustcovered car pulled up in front of the counteery. Out of it spring first the doctor with his instrument bag. them a show, Harding! The chances and, closely following him, two plainclothes men and a Brewster police crustain in uniform. Smith looked up

"They're just a little too late, Billy, don't you think?" he quavered weakly. "I guess-I guess I've fooled them, after all." And therewith he You mean that we'd ought to go over closed his eyes wearily upon all his troubles and triumphings.

CHAPTER XXVII.

In Sunrise Gulch.

William Starbuck drew the surgeon aside after the first aid had been ren-"Just the same, we've got to give dered, and Smith, still unconscious, them their chance." Smith Insisted had been carried from the makeshift doggerlly. "We can't stand for any operating table in the commissary to

"How about It. Doc?" asked the mine owner bluntly.

The surgeon shook his head doubt

"I can't say. He'll be rather lucky If he doesn't make it, won't he?" Starbuck remembered that the doctor had come out in the auto with the police captain and the two plainclothes men.

"Hackerman has been talking?"

The surgeon nodded. "He told me



Catch Him!"

let in my lung. Wouldn't you?" Starbuck was frowning sourly. Suppose you make it a case of suspended judgment, Doc," he suggested, "The few of us here who know anything about it are giving John the fore they can send him over the road."

"He knew they were after him?" Sure thing; and he had all the vay. He was shot while he was

"It's a pity," said the surgeon, glanche saw the working yard filled with ing across at the police captain to "They'll put him in the hospital cell at the fail, and that will cost him whatever slender chance he might othneer and beckoned eagerly with his erwise have to pull through."

Starbuck looked up quickly. "Tell 'em-he can't be moved, Doc Dan." he dend you are!" gritted the rough-and- urged suddenly. And then: "You're ready surgeon who was plying the Dick Maxwell's family physician, and clothes-ripping kalfe. But when Wil- Colonel Dexter's, and mine. Surely

"I can, and I will," said the surgeon

Three days after the wholesale arstart the gate machinery!" he panted rest at the dam, Brewster gossip had in the queer, whistling voice which fairly ontworn itself telling and rewas, and was not, his own. "Possess telling the story of how the High Line possession is nine points of the law charter had been saved; of how Craw--that's what Judge Warner said: the ford Stanton's bold ruse of hirlug an ex-trafu-robber to inpersonate a fed-"The men are on the job and the loral-court officer had fallen through Williams gently. "Fon't you hear it?" ruthlessly abandoned by the unpoint of death in the office shack at the construction camp, and David Kinzie, once more in been pursuit of the The interruption was the whining what I need is a new ego; then I'd lonves and fishes, was combing the market for odd shares of the stock. which was now climbing swiftly out of reach. But at this climax of exhaustlon-or satiety-came a distinctly new set of thrills, more titillating, if possible, than all the others com-

It was on the morning of the third day that the Herald announced the return of Mr. Jostah Richlander from the Topuz; and in the unrriage notices of the same issue the breakfasttable readers of the newspapers learned that the multimillionaire's daughter had been privately married the previous evening to Mr. Tucker Jibbey. Two mining speculators were chuckling over the news in the Hophra House grill when a third man came in to Join them.

"What's the joke?" queried the new comer; and when he was shown the marriage item, he nodded gravely. That's all right; but the Herald man didn't get the full flavor of it. It was a sort of runaway match, it seems; the fond parent wasn't invited or con-"I don't see that the fond parent has

any kick coming," said the one who had sold Jibbey a promising prospect hole on Topaz mountain two days ear- points. Her. "The young fellow's got all kinds of money."

"I know," the land broker put in. But they're whispering it around that Mr. Richlander had other plans for his daughter. They also say that Jibbey wouldn't stny to face the music; that he left on the midnight train last night a few hours after the wedding. so us not to be among those present when the old man should blow in." "What?"-in a chorus of two-"left

"That's what they say. But that's only one of the new and startling things that isn't in the morning papers. Have you heard about Smith?-or haven't you been up long enough yet?"

"I heard yesterday that he was beginning to mend," replied the breakfaster on the left.

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# MAN'S WAY OF DOING THINGS

Mr. Pickles Gives Demonstration of Superiority of His Methods Over Those Used by Women.

Men who can turn their hands to any sort of Job that needs doing are very useful as husbands. Mr. Pickles was one of these useful gentlemen. His amiable wife once asked him to hang a picture she had purchased for the parlor, and he said that he would

do it "in a liffy." "You just get me the cord and a picture book," he said to his wife, "and tell the servant girl to run down into the cellar and bring up the stepladder carry it into the parler, and where's those two little screw thingunimys that go into the back of the frame at the sides to put the cord through? Look them up for me; and shall require the gimlet to hore a little hele for the screws. Somehorly get the gimlet, or maybe I can drive them in with a hammer. Johnny, you run down into the cellar and get the bunmer. Perhaps a chair would be better than the stepladder. buly go out into the kitchen and get me a chair. I don't want to stand on one of the parlor chairs. Got cord? Just measure off about the right length, and fasten it to those little things at the side. There, now; there's your picture hung up, and no fuss about it. The difference between us men and you women is that when we have anything to do we do it, and don't talk all day about it."

Dogs Must Leave England.

Man's faithful friend, the dog, 18 being driven from England, because he ents too much, said John Forbes of this city, who recently returned from Liverpool, says the Cleveland Press. With famine threatening the British Isles, dogs are being sent away, especially to the United States.

"Every member of royalty, who kept immense kennels, has given up these dogs," said Forbes. "I could have had fine blooded Irish setter for \$5 if I had the arrangements for carrying the dog home. Members of our crew purchased some fine dogs, among them Pomeranians, which they brought to this country."

Coal Consumption. Front Britain's per capita coal con



SECTION GANG OF BRITISH TOMMIES.

As the great British drive against the Hun forces in Flanders steadily moves forward the British army is covering the regained land with a network of railways. The affied forces advancing farther and farther into the territory formerly held by the Tentons have found railroads essential to the further prosecution of their operations, for the scope of the drive is constantly

This photograph shows a rollway section gang made up of British Tonemies laying a light railway behind the British lines in Plander .- British Official Photograph.

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Device Invented to Hold Infants on Railroad Train.

Cover is Fastened by Button and Seat Provided Upon Which Youngster Can Sit and Contentedly Suck His Thumb.

The good news is true. We have been hoping for years that some intelligent inventor would come along with a device to can obstreperous infants during the late hours of the night. We suggested a hermetically scaled can wrapped in sound-proof material, but Caleb M. Prather of Evanston, Ill, who is the inventor of the can illustrated, sidestepped our instructions at several important

Rocks Baby to Sleep. He intends to use the can to rock bables to sleep. It is, in fact, a baby holder. Our can was to be a baby holder and silencer combined. Mr. Prather has provided several boles in his can through which air can reach



Baby Holder and Silencer.

the hahy. We don't object to the hahy getting air but as long as there are holes in the can the haby's yells will be as nerve-wracking as ever. That was our reason for the hermetically

senled can. Can Suck His Thumb. A cover of the can is fastened by button, and a seat is provided upon which the hahr can sit and suck his thumb when the top and cover has been removed. The can is of steel and it can be fastened to the tail of a porch, the back of a chair, of the seat of railroad car. If the inventor will make his can airtight and soundproof-features which we originally suggested—ne know of a bachelor who will buy a half dozen right away. -Popular Science Monthly.

## CONSERVE CRUDE OIL SUPPL

Railroads Meet Delay in Changing Fuel Equipment of Locomotives -Mechanics Are Shy.

Texas railroad commission, there is Ont.; vice president, J. B. Oatman, Du such a shortage of expert mechanics; Bols, Pa.; secretary, P. J. McAndreth, ta Fe are meeting delay in changing Januaica, N. Y. A luncheon was given the fuel equipment of their locome- to the 275 delegates by the members tives from off burners to coal burners, of the Track Supply Association of The purpose of going back to the use America and Canada, at which a disof coal is in order to conserve the play of track and railroad appliances crude oil supply for war purposes, was on exhibition. The demand for mechanics is said to be the greatest ever known in the history of Texas: Thousands of these skilled artisans have left the state in wages of 18,000 employees of its during the last several months to take shops was announced by the Atchison, employment in Industrial plants in the Topeka & Santa Fe railway. The ad-North and East. The railroad shops vance calls for an additional expendihave been largely depleted of this ture of about \$2,500,000, and virtually class of employees, and there is no completes the circle of advances which source open by which to fill the exist- the Santa Fe has been making at ining demand for them.

Women Replace Men. A class of 25 girl employees of the recently qualified to operate electric its electrical workers from \$4.50 to locomotives. The company expects to \$4.90 for an eight-hour day. Wiremen lose at least 100 men by the army draft | employed on a monthly basis are inand have taken these means of being creased \$10. rendy to fill their places with women when they are called away.

Use Wireless Telegraphy. Four working parties that are build- Chicago, Milwaukce & St. Paul railing a railrand across Australia keep road. The contract includes an averin touch with one another by wireless | nge increase of \$5 a month, a ertim

## WANTED TO CLINCH HIS JOB

Naval Reserve Rookie Who Asked Shore Leave Was Railway Official of National Repute.

"I should like a day's shore leave to attend to some personal hosiness, il you please, sir," said a lunior lieutenant, saluting, to Capt. Jaunes G. Ballinger of the Naval Coast Defense reserve recently.

"Your private worries are of minor importance now, as you are in the navy However, fill out an application," replied the captain.

"I worked 17 years to get the Joh 1 now hold," said the lieutenant, "It means a good deal to me, as I want to get things straightened out before going to sea. I would like to have the lob ngain in case I come back after the war, as it is a fair one. If you say so, sir, I will withdraw the request. He was turning away when Captain Bullinger asked;

"What's your name and lob?" "William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., vice president of the New York Central rail-

In due course of time his one day's shore leave will be granted, Lientenant Vanderbilt having titled out the appli-

### IDEA IN RAILROADING

Eastern Road Inaugurates Central Classification Vard for Its Entire System.

The New York, New Haven & Hart ford milroad, despite its troubles, has just started to put in effect what amounts to a new idea in rathroadinga central classification yard for its entire system. The new yard is to be at Montowese, or Cedar Hill, near New Haven, and will be the largest in New England. The idea of a classification yard may not be entirely nex in itself. but the New Haven yar! will be the hub of the whole system, envering most of New England, from all parts of which trains, on all routes, made up of cars for all destidations, will be run to Montowese to be sorted, thus relieving the present terminals and yards on the outposts of the system from much of their present burden. The Montowese yard will be big enough to take the peak lond of the whole systen without overcrowding. At the same time the plan of a single huge central classification yard is relied on by New Haven officials to simplify empliance with the eight-hour law .-

## NEW OFFICERS ARE ELECTED

New York Times.

Roadmasters and Maintenance of Way Hold Annual Meeting-Track Appliances Displayed.

Officers of the Roadmasters' and Maintenance of War Association of America were elected at the sixth annual convention held in Chicago. It was decided to hold the next convention in Chicago, The officers are,: According to advices received by the President, Abel Grills, St. Thomas, hat the Southern Pacific and the San- Sterling, Ill.; treasurer, Coleman King,

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Quincy, Itas. - "When my daughter" was just coming into womanhood she got her feet wet and caught a severe cold. This caused her much trouble. She doctored but did not get any better. Some of my friends told me to give her Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription and it did her more good than all the doctoring. I can recommend this medicine as being good for girls at that time of life."-MRS. LOUISE BECKER, 228 S. 8th Street.

Quincy, ILLS. - "A few years ago I developed a severe case of woman's weakness. I would have backaches and pains in my side. I can't begin to tell how miserable I was or how I suffered. I tried everything I could hear of in the way of medicine, with little relief. At ast I heard of Doctor Pierce's Favorite Prescription. It was only necessary to me to take two bottles to completely cure me of this atlment. I am glad t give testimony recommending 'Pavoris Prescription." - Mrs. John Augustan 839 S. Sixth Street.

#### Efficiency.

After many trials and tribulations Mrs. Timson had managed to, get a "model" of sorts.

"Now, Thurza," said she, "be careful about the water. We only use the well water for drinking, as we have to pay a man to pump it. The rain water is good enough for washing up and so on."

After teu Mrs. Timson asked: "Did you remember about the water,

"Oh, yes, m'm," said Thurza, "T filled the kettle half full of water, from the butt and the other half with water from the well. I thought that bottom half might as well be getting but at the same time for washing up after tea."-San Francisco Argonaut.

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"I've thought it over and decided don't want to be a soldier. So I a now. My outfit is on the way." But the soldier's job is one job you

can't quit when you want to. So Jim is back in the ranks, trying to like in. -Toledo News-Bee.

Expert Knowledge.

The other day two little fellows of seven and eight years heard older people speaking of skeletons. The sevenyear-old boy listened intently to the conversation with the older boy, with an air of superior knowledge, said ab-

"You don't know what a skeleton is.

"So do I." returned the youngster. "I do know. I know for certain, I

"It's hones with the people off."-

Pearson's Weekly.

"Well, what is it?"

Dietant. "Is your wife hard to please?" "I don't know; I have never renched that stage."-Judge.

The less a man says the more ing his wife has to do.