

Capa Nathaniel Plum, of the sloop Typitoon, lands secretly on Beaver Island, strengthold of the Mormons. He is sud-ting sumfromed by Oundlah Price, as forestric old man and a member of the comen exemell, who tells him that he is sected. Frice ignores Nar's protesta-tes that he has got the wrong man and cosins for the ammunition abourd the commendate for the amountained protestadister that he has got the wrong man, and
harmains for the ammunition abourd the
sloop. He binds Kat by a solemn outh to
definer a parange to Franklin Pierce,
provident of the United Sintes. Near
Price's calls hat sees the frightened face
of a young woman who disappears in the
deritages, traving an odor of libras. It
deschaps that Pium's visit to the island
is to demand mittlement from the king.
Strang, for the boding of his ship some
time providently, supposedly by Mormons.
Cases, the mate, has been left in charge
of the sloop with orders to bombard St.
James if hat does not return within a
certain time. Price takes hat in the
darkness, to the king's home, and
through a window he sees the king and
his wown, among whom is the lady of
the Bhos, whose Price says is the seventh sife. Firm calls at the king's office, where he is warned by a young
receives Plum cordially, professes indigmation when he hears the captain's grievand, mad promises to punish the guilty.
Plum again receives warning of his danper, the rescues Nell, who is being publicity whipped. The king orders Arbor
Crosses the short and father of Winnsons, the gift who warned Nat, to pursue and kill the two men. Plum and Nell
plan to carage on the Typhoon. Plum
leaves that Marken, the girl of the Blacs,
le Nells short. She is not yet married
to Strang. Plum suggests carrying her
of an the ship.

### (CHAPTER V .- Continued.)

" am beginning to understand-a litting" be said. "Obadiah had planned that I should meet Marion, but I was had done as he told me I should have seen her this morning."

is a few words he reviewed the events of the preceding evening and of that morning-of his coming to the istand, his meeting with Obadiah, and of the singular way in which he had become interested in Marion. He omitted the caths but told of Winnsome's warning and of his interview with the Mormon king. When he spoke of the girl as he had seen her through the king's window, and of her appealing face turned toward him at the pall, his voice trembled with an excitement that deepened the flush in

Captain Plum, I thank God that you like Marion," be said simply. "After i kill Strang will you help her?" "Yes."

"You are willing to risk-" "My life-my men-my ship!"

Nathaniel spoke like one to whom there had been suddenly opened the portnis to a great joy. He sprang to his feet and stood before Neil, his whole being throbbing with the emotypes which had been awakened within

"Good God, why don't you tell me what her peril is?" he cried, no longer restraining himself. "Why are you to kill Strang" Has he-has he ilis face flushed with the question which he cared not finish.

Mo-not that?" interrupted Neil. "He has never laid a hand on Marton. . She hutes him as she hates the snakes in this awamp. And yet-next Sunday she is to become his seventh wife!" Nathaniel started as if he had been threatened by a blow.

"You mean-he is forcing her into

his harem?" he asked. "No, he can not do that!" exclaimed Net, the hatred bursting out anew in his face. "He can not force her into marrying him, and yet-" He flung his arms above his head in sudden passionate despair. "As there is a God in beaven I would give 10 years of my life for the secret of the prophet's power over Marion!" he grouned. "Three months ago her hatred of him was terrible. She loathed the sight of him. I have seen her shirer at the sound of his voice. When he asked her to become his wife she refused him is words that I had behered no person in the kingdom would have dared to use. Then-less than a mosth ago-the change came, and one day she told me that she had made up her mind to become Strang's wife. From that day her heart was brokes. I was dumbfounded. I raged and cursed and even threatened. Once I accused her of a shameful thing and though I implored her forgiveness a thousand times I know that she weeps over my brutal words still. But noth ing could change her. On my knees pocket of the coat he had loaned Neil | look up. His own heart was near I have pleaded with her, and once she flung her arms round my shoulders pouch. I sen marrying Strang. But I must.' and smiled. went to Strang and demanded an explanation; I told him that my sister that you would have made an awful bated him, that the sight of his face and the sound of his voice filled her with abhorrence, but he only laughed at me and asked me why I objected to pecentaling the brother-in-law of a prophet. Day by day I have seen Marion's soul dying within her. Some terrible secret is gnawing at her heart robbing her of the very life which a few weeks ago made her the most beautiful thing on this island; some dreadful influence is shadowing her every step, and as the day draws near when she is to join the king's havem I see in her eyes at times a

"And then?"

Netl shrugged his shoulders. will shoot him through the abdomen so that he will live to tell his wives who de be deed. After that I will try to be my escape to the mainland."

look that frightens me. There is only

one salvation. Tomorrow ! shall kill

"And Marion-" Will t marry Strang! Isn't that Neil stood as though struck suddenly

"You have guessed nothing-no cause for the prophet's power over your sister?" asked Nathaniel.

Absolutely. And yet that influence is such that at times the thought of freezes the blood in my veins. It is so great that Strang did not hesitate to throw me into jail on the pretext that I had threatened his life. Marion implored him to spare me the disgrace of a public whipping and he

mandments of the kingdom. That was last night-when you saw her through of the sloop the window. Strang is madly infatuated with her beauty and vet he dares to go any length without fear of losing her. She has become his slave. She is as completely in his power as though bound in fron chains. And the most terrible thing about it all is that she has constantly urged me to leave the island-to go, and never return. Great God, what does it all mean? I love her more than anything else on earth, we have been inseparable since run down to the lake on Obadiah's the day she was able to toddle alone -and yet she would have me leave her! No power on earth can reveal the

> can make Strang divulge it." "And Obadiah Price!" cried Nathaniel, sudden excitement flashing in his eyes. "Does he know?"

> secret that is torturing her. No power

"I believe that he does!" replied Neil, pacing back and forth in his agitation. "Captain Plum, if there is a man on this island who loves Marion with all of a father's devotion it is Obadiah Price, and yet he swears that | ble." he knows nothing of the terrible influence which has so suddenly en-Strang Flom suggests carrying her slaved her to the prophet! He suggests that it may be mesmerism, but harsh, mirthless laugh. "Mesmerism be damned! It's not that!"

"Your sister-is-a Mormon," ventured Nathaniel, remembering what a fool and spoiled his scheme. If I the prophet had said to him that morning. "Could it be her faith?-a accompanying you to Obadiah's. I be the pace. message revealed through Strang

Neil stopped him almost flercely. "Marion is not a Mormon!" he said. "She hates Mormonism as she hates Strang. I have tried to get her to leave the island with me but she inbefore I was arrested I begged my edge of the woods!" sister to flee to the mainland with that she had said to me a hundred own to the loading of his pipe. times before-'Neil, I must marry the prophet!' Don't you see there is noth- to repay you for this," he said. There ing to do-but to kill Strang?"

gleamed something besides the ma-levolence of a few moments before. As gleamed something besides the ma-Nathaniel stepped back from him half laughing and puffing clouds of smoke from his pipe Marion's brother thrust his hands into his pockets with an exclamation that forcefully expressed his appreciation of Captain Plum's scheme.

"I never thought of that," he added, after a moment "By heaven, it will

"So easy that I tell you again I am ashamed of you for not having thought of it!" cried Nathaniel "The first thing is to get safely aboard my ship."

"We can do that within an hour." "And tonight-where will we find Marion ?"

"At home," said Neil. "We live near Obadiah. You must have seen the house as you came into the clearing this morning from the forest."

Nathaniel smiled as he thought of his suspicions of the old councilor. "It couldn't be better situated for our work," he said. "Does the forest

side of the island?" "Clear to the beach" Neil's face betrayed a sudden flash of doubt.

"I believe that our place has been watched for some time," he explained. "I am sure that it is especially guarded at night and that no person leaves or enters it without the knowledge of Strang. I am certain that Marion is aware of this surveillance although she professes to be wholly ignorant of it. It may cause us trou-

"Can you reach the house without being observed?" "After midnight-yes."

"Then there is no cause for alarm," -" He interrupted himself with a declared Nathaniel. "If necessary I can bring 10 men into the edge of with you. Once there you can tell Marion that your life depends on her

lieve she will go. If she won't-" He stretched out his arms as if in anticipation of the burden they might hold. "If she wont-I'll help you carry her!"

Croche's men-" "Will be as dead as herring floaters sists on staying because of the old if they show up!" he cried, leaping lines of railroad from coast to coast. folk. They are very old, Captain two feet off the ground in his enthu-Plum, and they believe in the prophet siam. "I've got 12 of the damnedest and his heaven as you and I believe fighters aboard my ship that ever in that blue sky up there. The day lived and 10 of them will be in the

Neil's eyes were shining with some me but she refused with the words thing that made Nathaniel turn his

"Captain Plum, I hope I will be able was a trembling break in his voice Nathaniel thrust his hand into a and for a moment Nathaniel did not



You Are Not Going to Kill Strang Tomorrow."

and drew forth his pipe and tobacco bursting with the new life that and said, 'Neil, I can not tell you why looked squarely into the other's eyes his eyes to his companion's face again

"Neil," he said softly. "Do you know fool of yourself if I hadn't hove in sight just when I did?"

He lighted his pipe with exasperating coolness, still smiling over its

"You are not going to kill Strang tomorrow," he added, throwing away the match and placing both hands on Neil's shoulders. His eyes were laughing with the joy that shone in "Neil, I am ashamed of you! You have worried a devilish lot over a very simple matter. See here-" He blew a cloud of smoke over the other's head. "I've learned to demand some sort of pay for my services since landed on this island. Will you

with her tonight?" CHAPTER VI.

promise to be-a sort of brother-to

me-if I steal Marion and sail away

At Nathaniel's astonishing words

"Don't you see what a very simple case it is?" he continued, enjoying the than a score of years. "She is the other's surprised silence. "You plan to kill Strang to keep Marion from marrying him. Well, I will hunt up of Gabbettsville, Ga. Frankie passes Marion, put her in a bag if necessary and carry her to my ship. Isn't that ther every day. Telegraphy provides the devastated public domain and on better and safer and just as sure as

The excitement had gone out of she was six years old, and her pro-Neil's face. The flush slowly faded ficiency has been increasing ever ed by reading to her the com- from his cheeks and in his eyes there since.

As he loaded the pipe he throbbed within it. When he raised there was a light in them that spoke almost as plainly as words. "You haven't accepted my price, yet,

Neil," he replied quietly. "I asked you if you'd-be-a sort of brother-" Neil sprang to his side with a fervor

that knocked the pipe out of his hand. "I swear that! And if Marion

listening attitude.

For a moment the two ceased to breathe. The sound had come to them both, low, distant. After it there fell a brief hush. Then again, as they stared questioningly into each other's eyes, it rolled faintly into the swamp immediately to the census committee, -the deep, far baying of a hound.

"Ah!" exclaimed Neil, drawing back with a deep breath. "I thought they would do it!"

"The bloodhounds!" (TO BE CONTINUED.)

Child a Train Dispatcher.

Frankie McClure is only eleven years old, but she can dispatch trains and operate the telegraph key just as cleverly as her foster father, who has been in the business for more best train dispatcher along the line." said her foster father, George Moore much of her spare time with her fa- the best advantage of the timber on as much amusement for her as her the land of homesteaders who have dolls. She learned telegraphy when

IT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE HIGH COST OF LIVING.

Millionaire Says That People Are Bled to Pay Dividends on Nine Billions of Watered Stock.

Akron, O .- Declaring that excessive freight rates are responsible for the high cost of living, Ohio C. Barber, the millionaire match magnate, has sent a letter to every member of congress demanding reforms

In addition to the regulation of freight rates, he demands that laws be passed that will effectually limit railroad and industrial capitalization.

He declares the freight business of the railroads cost each family \$87 a year. This latter, coupled with the other earnings of the railroads, he asserts, has boosted the average railroad cost per family to \$127 annu-

Barber starts his letter to the congressmen with these three demands: "What is the matter with America?

"What is the matter with congress? "Why has the seat of government been transferred to Wall street?"

Continuing, he says: "Personally, I appreciate fully the importance of stability of vested rights in property, corporate or personal.

"But I vigorously contend that the commission of excesses in the capitalization of corporate companies forfeits instantly the right to claim face value for such capitalization in the the woods. Two can approach the levying of a tax upon the American house as quietly as one and I will go public for the payment of dividends upon this watered stock. And in this and the muse which he courts. He is offense the railroads always have set a scholarly man with poetic thoughts.

"Conceived in the master minds of Huntington, Morgan, Hill and Harriman, this policy has been worked out to a nicety. These clothed the scheme 'And meanwhile," said Nell, "Arbor in the pretty catch phrase of a 'community of interests' and cleverly set about to grab all the through trunk

"They argued plausibly, and with truth, that these trunk lines were the great arteries which maintained the life of commerce; that they were a friends for trying to live my own life, necessity for quick transportation.

18 billions of railroad capitalization possibility of being a sheep and folis fictitious; purely and simply wat- lowing a leader. Society women do ered stock, upon which the people of not order their own lives. I am well the United States are taxed in rail- and happy and just now am living a road rates to maintain the annual div- life which tends most to happiness. I

tering, the railways net earnings have as there are no bathing facilities I go advanced steadily and the average to a Turkish bath once a week. My dividend rate has more than doubled in the last 15 years.

"In 1894 the dividend rate was 1.66 per cent. Last year it averaged 3.68 per cent, and the railroads earned a net income of \$852,153,280.

ny that freight rates affect the cost of existence. James J. Hill and W. C. fee again and have some fruit. Browne declare low acreage production by the farmer is responsible for high prices.

"Trust magnates disagree. All seek to shift the responsibility. S. R. Guggenheim says it is extravagance on the part of the laborer. Ogden Armour says it is the law of nature.

"This one problem of railroad freight rates is the great economic question of the age. Were it fairly solved all other lines of commerce and trade would soon adjust themselves and a more equitable distribution of the products of business would

What are you going to do about it? "Yours in militant sincerity. "O. C. BARBER."

THE CASE OF LORIMER.

Senate Wonders How Many Votes to Remove.

Washington.-Whether it would require a two-thirds vote or only a majority of the same to unseat Mr. Lorimer as a senator from Illinois is an interesting question which has arisen in the contest about to be waged. The answer depends upon whether the opposition to Mr. Lorimer seeks to connect him with any corrupt practices or merely attempts to show that he was the beneficiary for which he was not responsible.

Officers are a Failure.

Chicago.-Nearly two hundred voluntary probation officers of the juvenile court were dismissed, following an investigation of the system by Judge Merritt W. Pinckney and his chief probation officers. One of the volunteeers was found in the county iail charged with uxorcide. Another, a negro preacher, was under arrest on charges by children, and others were found incapable. In announcing the dismissal rule the court specified that Suddenly he jerked himself into a it did not convey criticism in most

The Apportionment Bill.

Washington. - The apportionment bill introduced by Chairman Crumpacker fixes the membership of the house at 433. The bill was referred where the entire subject will be taken

Burned to Death. Huron, S. D.-David Mitchell, aged 53, was found burned to death in his cottage a mile south of the city. Mitchell was a widower and lived

To Protect Titles.

Washington. - Secretary Ballinger and Senator Borah of Idaho are both interested in the question of timber on the area burned by the great forest fires last year. Mr. Ballinger has prepared a bill that, if passed, would permit the government to dispose to not perfected title. Senator Borah discussed the matter with the president and hopes that legislation will

Poet Joaquin Miller's Daughter Woos the Muse in a Cheap New York Lodging.

New York .- Everyone has heard of Joaquin Miller, the poet of the Sierras, who lives with his birds and his books in a little cabin on the mountain side above Oakland, Cal. Once in a while the aged and bewhiskered hermit-poet comes into civilization and entertains people with his undisguised contempt for society, but in the main he prefers to commune with nature



His beautiful daughter, Miss Juanita Miller, is something of a hermit herself, for her home is a tiny room in Carnegie hall, this city-a room which used to be a box office. Young, pretty and very talented, she could take a prominent part in society if she would. But she will have nothing to do with the pleasures and frivolities of the world.

"I am trying to find myself and discover what I am here for," she says. but to me freedom is above all else to "Approximately nine billions of this be desired. My greatest horror is the have solved the problem of high prices. "Despite this tremendous stock wa- I pay \$4 a week for my room here and clothes I buy on Fourteenth street and nav almost nothing for them. My food costs me only \$2 a week; so I may say my total living expenses amount to but little more than \$7 a week. I make my own coffee in the morning. At noon I go over to Sixth "And the people paid the freight! avenue, where I get an egg sandwich "And the people paid the freight! avenue, where I get an egg sandwich sensation, the sure sign of sore throat, "Railroad presidents indignantly defor five cents and a good stew for ten targle Hamlins Wizard Oil immediately with three parts water. It will save you cents. In the evening I make my cof-

> "Once I was drifting and was bored. Now I am happy. I have done some water colors which my friends say are good. I can sing and I can play. Now I want to know which thing I can do best and then follow that line. Why should I consult my friends about my own destiny? I couldn't stand my old life in society any longer and I broke away. I decided to earn my own living and be absolutely independent. I pay my way by giving piano and mandolin lessons and have lots of time for myself. My father is heartily in sympathy with me." Miss Miller's mother is very fond of

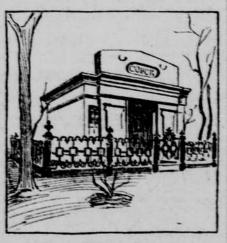
> life and society, but cannot induce the girl to give up what seem to her to be very peculiar notions. Evidently Juanita is a feminine copy of Joaquin.

> GRAVE IN A CHICAGO PARK

Massive Couch Mausoleum Stands as Last Vestige of the City's

First Cemetery.

Chicago.-Familiar as are most people, whether visitors or residents, with Lincoln park, this city, and its principal features, there yet remains one object therein which causes wonder and question by many who go there and which still stands an unexplained mystery to thousands. During the early days of Chicago's history the present site of the park was occupied by a cemetery. About 1865 interments



The Couch Vault.

ceased and the lot owners were given lots in other cemeterles. So the park became a pleasure instead of a burial ground. Among the pioneer settlers who ultimately found a resting place in this old cemetery was one Ira Couch by name, who built a mausoleum for himself and his family. When, however, the cemetery became a park the commissioners found that the Couch family objected to the removal of the tomb. Those circumstances finally settled the question of removal. So with its heavy blocks of stone and massive iron door it has stood for over half a century the last vestige of Chicago's first cemetery.

Tightly-Laced Shoe Bursts Artery, St. Louis.-A tightly-laced shoe, which impeded circulation, caused an artery to burst in the leg of Miss Maggie Hunt of this city while she was sitting in her home. She almost bled to death before medical assistance was obtained.

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panies at reasonable prices. The display of western Canada's grains in the straw as well as threshed grains and grasses recently made at St. Louis was an excellent demonstration of what the country can do. It proved splendid as an illustration of the resources of that vast prairie country, which during the past year has again proven its ability to produce excellent yields of wheat, oats and barley-and flax. Not only this, but the splendid herds of cattle are a source of large revenue. There is a fund of information to be had by reading the Canadian government literature, copies of which may be had free by applying to your nearest Canadian government agent.

A Christmas Criticism. Orville Wright, discussing flying in

New York, said to a reporter: "The French claim to make the best machines, but our foreign order

books tell a different story. "Our foreign order books give the game away like the little Dayton boy at the Christmas treat. He got from the tree at this treat a pair of trousers, and, waving them around his head, he electrified the entire Sunday school by shouting in a loud and joy-

"'Oh, ma, these pants must be new. Pa never had a suit like that."

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