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Table with 2 columns: Train Name and Time. Includes Atlantic Express, Fast Mail, Limited, and Freight.

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Little by little the light of dawn began to penetrate the dark depths in which they were scouting, and trailing became an easier matter. Presently the sergeant pointed to the face of the opposite slope, now visible from base to summit where an abrupt bend threw it against the eastern light.

"Yonder's where the ambulance came down, sir. And we can't be far from where it crossed. Trot ahead and take a look. Let Patterson go with you. If you find a chance for short cuts, signal."

Another half hour passed away, and still the trail led along this strange rock ribbed gorge in the forest, the dry bed of some long lost stream. When first met, it seemed to be cutting directly across their line of march, now it had turned southward, and for several miles ahead south or west of south was its general course. The light was now broad and clear, though the sun had not yet peeped across the mountain range to their left.

The pace was rapid, Drummond frequently urging his men to the trot or canter. Out to the front 400 or 500 yards, often lost to view in the windings of the way, Sergeant Lee with a single trooper rode in the advance, but not once had he signalled a discovery worth recording. Both wagon and hoof tracks here pursued a common road. It was evident that some horseman had found it necessary to ride alongside. It was evident, too, that the outlaws were traveling at full speed, as though anxious to reach some familiar lair before turning to face their expected pursuers.

Every one in the gang, from Pasqual down to their humblest packer, well knew that it could not be long before cavalry in strong force would come trotting in chase. The squadron at Stoneman would surely be on the scene before the coming sunset. As for C trooper, they had little to fear. Pasqual laughed with savage glee as he thought how he had lured them in scattered detachments to the Gibraltar of the Cabala. No need to fear the coming of the late escort of the paymaster. By this time those not dead, drugged or drunk were worn out with fatigue.

The worthy Ransom, who had formerly rejoiced that seven to one he had avenged his death, and Pasqual counted on the fingers of his brown and bloody hand the number of the victims of the night—Donovan and his fellow trooper killed on the open plain; the paymaster and his clerk, Mullan and the other soldier, dead in their tracks and burned to ashes by this time, and best of all, that pig of a sergeant, who, rascal called him that bound and murdered—Fanny—he who had slain Ransom's death, gagged and left to miserable death by torture. Indeed, as he was jolled along in the ambulance, growling and cursing by turns, he wondered why he had not insisted that Harvey, too, should be given the coup de grace before their start. It was an unpardonable omission. Never mind! His own brand new Concord that came clattering along was booty that outweighed all. There was wealth far exceeding the stacks of treasury notes—old Harvey's daughters—old Harvey's daughter with arms and fevers, his girl that when as last she came pouring in a flood of light over the desert of the Cabala he listened to the report of a trusted subordinate.

He could see every mile of the road with his glasses, and he had a map to ponder—every mile from Moreno's to where westward the canyon. There isn't a sign of dust—there isn't a sign of a pursuing party.

"Dummo! Then we rest when we reach the cave. This is even better than I hoped."

But there were two elements in the problem Captain Pasqual had failed to consider. Lieutenant Drummond's scout in the Gibraltar, Cochise's hand of Chiricahua in the Santa Maria. Who could have foreseen that the northern end of the range and about turning to the right, the Santa Maria, had ridden out upon the plain, summoned by the beacon at Picoacho pass, and less than two hours after their hurried start from the burning ruins at Moreno's were speeding on their trail, the best fieldglasses ever stolen from the paternal government could not reveal to the fleeing outlaw that, only two or three miles back in the dim recesses of the crooked gorge, the bluecoats were following in hot pursuit. Who could have dreamed that a band of Apaches, cut off from their native wilds by detachments from Bowie, Lowell and Crittenden, and forced to make a wide detour to the southwest, had sought refuge in the very gorge of the Cabala whither Pasqual with all speed was urging his men?

"We rest when we reach the cave." Ah, even the torment of the band could not have wrung from the robber chief this longed for order had he dreamed what was coming at his back. "How are the girls getting on?" he asked of his hot and wearied aid. "Are they tranquil now?" "They are, but they are not open her eyes, and Sanchez has his knife at the elder's throat.

And the warlike had brought with it new inspiration—new purpose to those who came trotting to the rescue. Just as the cliffs on the western side were tipped and fringed with rose and gold, Sergeant Lee, riding rapidly on ahead from point to point, always carefully peering around each bend before signaling the way.

The next instant he stood erect, waving some white object high in air. "Come on!" was heard suddenly to halt and throw himself from his horse. The next instant he stood erect, waving some white object high in air. Spurring forward, Drummond joined him. "A lady's handkerchief, lieutenant," he quietly said. "They seem to have belted here a moment; you can tell by the hoof prints. One of their number rode over toward that high point yonder and rejoined them here. I don't believe they are more than half an hour ahead."

Drummond reverently took the dainty kerchief, hurriedly searched for an initial or a name and found the letters "R. H." in monogram in one corner. "Push on, then, Lee! Here, one more of you—youn, Bennett, join the sergeant. Look alive now, but do not let yourselves be seen from the front."

Then as they hastened away he stood the flimsy trinket in the pocket of his blouse, and drawing and roll from the holster closely inspected its loaded chambers. Only a boy, barely 23, yet rich in soldierly experience already was Drummond. He had entered the service when just 17. His father's death, occurring immediately before the memorable summer of their first campaign, had thrown him perforce into the society of the so-called bachelor club, and he was graduated in the June of the following year when, though not yet whole as his physique was fine, but there were some scars to cloud his young life in the army—a sister whose name was many and whose means were found that rigid economy and self denial were to be his portion from the start and was not sorry that his assignment took him to the far away land of Arizona, where, as his new captain explained, "you can live like a prince on bacon and apples, and drink like a cowboy on next to nothing, and like an Apache in next to nothing, spend all your days and none of your mind in mountain scouting, and come back for the good of your health in health and strength and experience and infinitely better off financially than you could ever have been anywhere else. Leave whisky and poker alone, and you're all right."

He had left whisky and poker alone, severely alone. He had sought every opportunity for field service; had shown indomitable pluck and skill in pursuit of Apaches and cool courage when the foe was upon them, even more than was needed, or than he had hoped, to his sister's guardian and was proud and happy in the consciousness of a duty well done. There were young gins in the extended garrisons of those days, no feminine weakness to unsettle his peace of mind. The few women who accompanied their lords to such exile as Arizona were discreet matrons, to whom he was courteous and respectful, but only once had he been brought under the influence of girlish eyes of girlish society, and that was on the memorable trip to San Francisco during the winter of '92, when he had been the great good fortune to be summoned as a witness before a general court martial convened at the Presidio. He had been presented to the Harvey sergeant by Captain Hays, the New York and would have shown them some attention, but there had been much rough weather in the gulf which kept the girls below, and not until after passing Cape San Lucas and they were returning to the States, did he see either of them again. Then one glorious day the trailing lines were ordered, the elders were amiable play-acting "horse billiards," and "Tuck," who had been with him behind the scenes, was to be considered. Jim Drummond hardly gave a single thought to the capture of the force. So far as he could judge the forces were about equally matched. Some of the fellows, desperadoes of the first water, had unusual fiery hair, and seemed to indicate that their usual rides were perhaps with others of the band, resting in the wagons themselves. Surprise now was out of the question. The band was not to be considered. Jim Drummond hardly gave a single thought to the capture of the force. 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