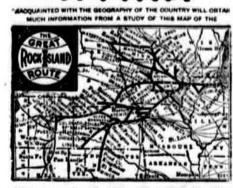


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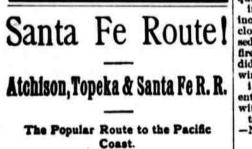
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#### STARTING A BLAZE.

Bill Puts Goorgie Up to a Scheme That Was Disastrous. deer editur-u kant tel wat a day wil

bring 4th. day b 4 yesterda i was as hapi as anithing, coss i dident have ani enimys. now i haiv got to sta in the house an evri 1 is mad at me.

coss bil jonson is the arch devil, that is wy. on monda i met bil an he sez: gorgie, i no a dandi way 2 haiv fun. how, i sed.

play fireman, sed bil. They dont haiv no horses 2 the fire engins

in a toun, coss the men pull the engine, but wen bil & me wos in noo yorik we seed hose fire engins.

so i sed 2 bil, will we halv hoss engine. yes, sed bil. then we went 2 a barn en got out ole nel.

nel is a ole hoss wat is laim an is blind from loosin her site. then we hiched up the hoss 2 a painturs wagin with 2 weels on, wot mister bings usis wen he is workin. then bil & me put a big barrul on the wagin & filed it with watir. it luked gest like a fare fire engin. an we hed a peace of garlen hose to squirt the watir with. now, I sed, were is the fire, ho, sed bil, we kin maik 1. were, 1 sed.

in yure house, bil sed.

pa wood kil us most, I sed.

pa won't no we maid it, bil sed. we cood lite the fin and wait in the barn till sum 1 seed it, an then run out with a engin an put out the fire. then we wil b heroes an yur pa mite give us half er \$ 4 savin his house. i dident think ov it that way b 4. bil alwaze maiks me du wat he wants, so i sed,

al rite, bil, thay is no 1 in the kichen now, so u kin start the fire thair. bil an me went in 9 the house and put

sum papir in a closit an lited it, wen it ed 2 blaiz we shet the dore and went baik 2 the barn.

jest wen we got balk ma opinid the kichen dore an yelid,

fire, fire. al hands 2, yelid bil, man the cilinder and run out the mashine.

i openid the barn dore an bil jumped up on the wagin and grabid the line.

get up, said bil. the ole boss startid out of the barn. jumpid up on the balk ov the wagin. the watir in the barrel was splashin al over me an bil. the hull kichen wos commencin 2 blaiz.

ma wos cryin an ringin her hands an sum wos ringin the fire bel an pepel wos comin frum al ovir.

dont cry, ma, i yelid, the onli 3 fire com-pany is 2 the rescue.

whoa, sed bill, an the ole hos stopid. man the pump, i called, an we put the

hose in the barrel ov watir and turned the hose at the house. no water woodent kum out ov the hose.

the flaims wos comin out ov the windores an lil and her babi wos standin bi the house orien. we thote that the watir wood kum out uv the hose without a pump, but it woodent.

in a minit the fire companys frum town wos thair an commenced 2 squirt watir on the fire. thay let some watir go on bil and me an then told us 2 get out ov the way. 1 fire man giver hoss a hit an it startid off so quick bil and me fell off the wagin.

in a litel wile the fire was out. the insurince man kum and found sum paper in the closit an sed pa coodent get no damage and sed he orter go in prison 4 setin his house on fire. the old blind hoss wat bil an me had dident stop runin til it went thro a bakirs winder in toun and pa had 2 pay 4 it. i coodent make pa b leve me an he wood-ent b leve it wos al bils fait. he wiped me with a cowhide an i havent been out yet. thus is the mitey falen. gorgie. -New York Mercury.

His Way of Be At the coal yard the other day a new driver was hired, and he went off to deliver his first load. He failed to return, and a search was (astituted. The missing mat was found at the house, where he had put the coal in the cellar and had then taken up his quarters in the kitchen.

The cook said she could not get him to leave, and the driver was asked what he meant by such conduct. "Why," he replied, "I thought I was sold with the coal, for I was weighed with it." --Pittsburg Chronicle.

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The circuit rider for a mountain district in West Virginia was stopping for a day or two at the place where he was to preach on Sunday, and to him a mountaineer cam with a buxom mountain maid and wanted to be married then and there. "Where's your license?" asked the min-

ister

The man was surprised. "Ain't got none," he said. "We don't have to have no license, do we? We sin't agoin to sell liquor. That was all the license he knew about.

The minister explained to him, and h rode away 10 miles to the county seat and later in the day appeared with the license

"That cost me a dollar, mister," he said ruefully. "Do you charge anything?" "You can pay me whatever you please but I never charge less than a dollar."

"Well, I've only got half a dollar, mister, and won't git the balance till after barvest.'

The minister hesitated, because hthought the mountaineer was trying to beat him, and while he was willing to per form the ceremony gratis he didn't want to cut prices. All at once the mountaineer put in:

"I've got it, mister," he exclaimed, show ing the half dollar at him. "Here's half yer price. Now, you marry Hanner to me They ain't anybody livin that I want but Hanner, and Hanner kinder hankers fer whole passle of fellers that is better lookir than I am, but ain't so well off, so if yo git her fixed you needn't worry about m at all. Take your half dollar an go ahead on Hanner. You kin fix me after harvest an I'll give you t'other half when the job's

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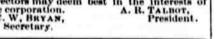
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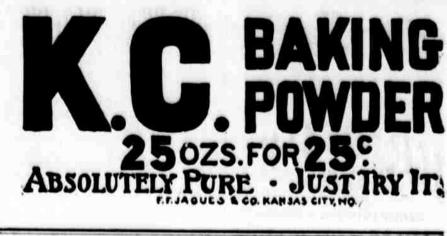
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