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"All right-slide along. I'll ket be an to you," says he.

I looked back and saw him but out with his saddle on his arm "lie's a particular kind of cuss," I thought. "Bareback would suit most people,"

Taking it a little easier for the next couple of miles, I gave him a chance to pull up.

We pounded along without saying anything for a spell, when I happened Office, Brick Barn, to notice that his teeth were chatter-

"Keep your nerve up, parduer!" says I. "Don't you get scared-we've got a good start on 'em."

He looked at me kind of reproach-

"Scared be derned!" says he, "I reckon if you was riding around this nice cool night in your drawers, your teeth 'ud rattle some too." I took a look at him and saw, sure

enough, while he had hat, coat and boots on, the pants was missing. Well, if it had been the last act, I'd have had to laurch

"Couldn't find 'em nohow," says he. "Hunted high and low, jick, Jack and the game-just comes to my mind now that I had 'em rolled up and was sleeping on 'em. I don't like to go around this way-I feel as if I was two men and one of 'em hardly respectable,"

"Did you bring a gun with you?" He gave me another stare. "Why, pardner, you must think I have got a light and frivolous disposition," says be, and with that he heaves up the great granduncle of all the six shoot-

ers I ever did see. It made my forty-

five long look like something for a kid to cut its teeth on. "That's the best gun in this country," he went on, "Looks as if it might be," says I. "Has the foundry that cast it gone out of business? I'd like to have one like, hole plumb through my hat.

it, if it's as dangerous as it looks."

"When I have any trouble with a man," says he, "I don't want to go pecking at him with a putty blower, just irritating him and giving him a little skin complaint here and there. I want something that'll touch his conscience."

He had it, for a broadside from that battery would scatter an elephant over a township.

We loped along quiet and easy until sun up. The Grindstone Buttes lay about a mile ahead of us. Looking back, we saw the Injuns coming over a rise of ground 'way in the distance. "Now," says my friend, "I know a

short cut through those hills that'll bring us out at Johnson's. They've got enough punchers there to do the United States army up-starched and blued. Shall we take It?

"Sure!" says I. "I'm only wandering round this part of the country because this part of the country is here —if it was anywheres else I'd be just as glad."

So in we went. It was the steepest and narrowest kind of a canyon, look Ing as if it had been cut out of the rock with one crack of the ax. I was just thinking, "Gee whiz, but this would be a poor place to get snagged in," when bang! says a rifle right in front of us, and m-c-arr! goes the bullet over our heads.

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"Cussed poor shot, whoever he is," says my friend. "Some Injun holding us here till the rest come up, I presume."

"That's about the size of it-and I'd like to make you a bet that he does it, too, if I thought I'd have a chance to

"Oh, you can't always tell-you might lose your money," says he, kind of thoughtful,

"I wouldn't mind that half as much as winning," says I. "But, on the square, do you think we can get out? I'll jump him with you if you say so. although I ain't got what you might call a passion for suicide."

"Now you hold on a bit," says he. "I don't know but what we'd have done better to stick to the horses and run for it, but it's too late to think of that. Jumping him is all foolishness; he'd sit behind his little rock and pump lead into us till we wouldn't float in brine-and we can't back out now."

He talked so calm he made me kind of mad. "Well," says I, "in that case let's play 'Simon says thumbs up' till the rest of the crowd comes,'

"There you go!" says he. "Just like all young fellers—gettlu' hosstyle right away if you don't fall in with their plans. Now, sonny, you keep your temper and watch me play cushion carroms with our friend there."

"Meaning how?" "You see that block of stone just this side of him with the square face toward us? Well, he's only covered in front, and I'm a-going to shoot against

tile? tace and setch him on the

But Lord!"

"Well, watch," says he. Then he squinched down behind his cover, so

"Well, watch," says he.

as not to give the Injun an opening,

trained his cannon and pulled the

trigger. The old gun opened her

weren't any desirable corpses to be

"Say, pardner," says 1, "you wouldn't

"Now, don't you get oneasy," says

"Biff!" says the old gun, and this

time, sure enough, the Injun was

knocked clear of the rock. I felt all

along that he wouldn't be much of a

comfort to his friends afterward if

Still, he wasn't so awful dead, for as

we jumped for the horses he kind of

hitched himself to the rock, and, lay-

ing the rifle across it and working the

lever with his left hand, he sent a

"Hully boy!" says I. I snapped at

him and smashed the lock of his rifle

to flinders. Then of course he was our

in the eye. Say, he was a man, I tell

you, redskin or no redskin! The cour-

age just stuck out on him as he stood

My pardner threw the muzzle of his

gun up, "D-n lt:" says be. "I can't do

it. He's game from the heart out.

But the Lord have mercy on his shi-

ful soul if he and I run foul of each

Then we shacked along down

"What became of Frosthead and his

gang?" Oh, they sent out a regiment

or two and gathered him iu-'bout

twenty-five soldiers to an Injun. No.

no harm was done. Me and my pard

were the only ones that bucked up

against them. Chuck out a cigarette,

Kid: my jungs ache for want of a

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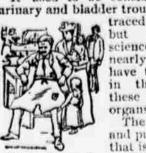
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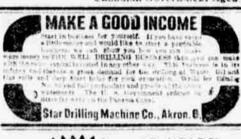
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