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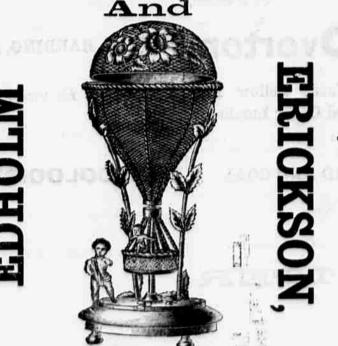
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And throw a cruel sanshine on a fool.

With craft and skin, to that stoop to rise;

Masses

The paths of grory lean but to the grave, Gray.
What is ambition?—'tis a glorious cheat!—
Willis. Only destructive to the brave and great. Addison What's all the gaudy glitter of a crown? Dryden The way to bliss lies not on near of the state of the How long we live, not years but actions tell.

Watkins The way to bliss lies not on beds of down. Occorba

That man lives twice who fives the first life well. The trost that's given guard, and to yourself be just,

#### A NIGHT WITH WOLVES.

sy father, then a noted civil engineer, leaders. My father drew his knife, and with great risk, crept along the pole between the running wheel-horses, and cut work in the wilderness. My father, who was a domestic man, became tired after a few months of his loneliness, and rethe vehicle, and the other leader broke

the way of any whim or wish of his own. Such fiery energy is a useful quality, no doubt, but when carried to the extreme, as in my father's case, is likely to bring discomfort, and possibly misery, into business relations and the home

It was early in December when we ap-

Lansing.

The weather was bitterly cold, and the saw lay deep upon the ground. At the last village in which we stopped my mother desired to remain a day or two that the children might rest. There was three of us, Mary, aged nine, myself, a big boy of six, and the baby, scarcely two months old.

But my father conscious of medium is thinking now of his wife and baby. That would be to burn our ship with a vengeance, said my father. What would we do then?

Bring the women and children to the top of the stage and right until our ammunition's gone.

There was thinking now of his wife and baby. The bed. The girls had tongues, like the rest of their "seck," hich began running in this wise:

"What a nice dance we're having Have you heard anybody say anything about me, Jane?"

"About you! Why sartin. I heard for Flint tell Sam Jones that you was the prettiest girl in the momen."

Nonsense, Jane! he said; after this long journey to stop just at the door of home! I have a cosy little house for you. We will push on and reach Lan-sing by nightfall. Think how pleasant it will be to rest in your own house with bright fires and a good supper to welcome you.

My mother made no further objection,

and we continued our journey. The stage lumbered heavily through the snow, and it was nealy dark when we stopped for supper at an inn, still nearly teen miles distant from Lansing.

When supper was over, my mother seated herself with the children at the blazing fire, when my father's voice was

heard outside blustering angrily. Why have the horses been put away? he shouted to the landlord. I did not suppose it possible for you to go on to-night, Col. McLure.

What business had you to suppose anything about it? What should hinanything about it? What should hinder me from going on? cried my father.

Save your anger for your slaves, Colonel, said the landlord, coolly. There is nothing to hinder you, but ther, is much to hinder a delicate woman and children. It's not likely you'll reach Lansing until morning, the snow is so deep, and the track is hard to find.

My mother went out and called, softly, Charles, let me speak to you a moment! She was a gentle, weak little woman.

She was a gentle, weak little woman. Charles, cannot we stay here all night? I am so tired, and the children—let us stay; and her eyes filled with tears.

You always were a lazy little thing, pulling her playfully by the ear. Go; bundle up! We'll be off in ten minutes, and be at home before nine o'clock. Colonel! The landlord beckoned him aside. I did not wish to speak of it be-fore Mrs. McLure, but the roads between here and Lansing have been infested

with wolves all winter.
Bah! wretched little cayotes: You know there's no more danger in them than i.. so many rats. It's only a poor trick to bring custom to your tayern, Joe. Stop there, colonel; not another word,

The landlord turned away. He was a man of much rectitude and good senge,

and he was justly offended.
Put the horses to the coach? said the hostler. Does the Colonel know? He does not choose to listen, said the landlord; but he'll be wiser before morn-

from time to time. Feet warm, Jane? Little Mary's sound asleen, God bless her! It's not such a frightful journey after all, eh? I don't want you to think

I am too hard on you, You hard, Charles! said my mother, who could not bear that he should blame hlmself. You are always right, dear.
My father after that soon went to sieep. He did not waken for a couple of hours, and then only because the stage coach

Lansing, eh! Here we are? Why, this is the middle of the woods! he cried, jumping out. What ails you, Sam? What are you stopping here for? he said to the driver.
Well, to tell the truth, stammered Sam,
Pve lost the way. I don't get the bear-

in's just right.

My father was too good a disciplina-rian not to understand the force of this statement. He sat still, though impa-tient and scolding, while Sam got down and tramped through the interminable rows of black pillared trunks, scoking vainly for some landmark.

They're all so confoundedly alize! he mite ed, scrambling to his seat. Ef only the stars would out!

How far have you gone? Ten mile-or mebbe five. This hyar anow is so blindin 'n confusin-hesttated Sam. Goe up up now! whipping

atted Sam. Gee up up now! whipping ap his four horses with a faint show of energy.

They made a start and then stopped, the leaders giving a neigh of terror.

Heaven help us! cried Sam. A far-off ry, like shrill yelps, was heard. My ather started up.

Don't be uneasy, Jane, he said quietly Law a sing out on the box with Sam.

I am g-ing out on the box with Sam Keep the children quiet, if possible. Don't let the baby cry. What is it, Charles?

Oh, no matter! Lynxes catamounts some miserable wood vermin.

The next moment he was beside Sam Drive for your life. They are no cayotes they are the great gray wolves!
I know it; they have been in the

woods all winter.
That's what Joe meant? Yes, when you wouldn't listen.

But it was no time for recrimination. The horses, urged by terror, needed no whipping. They dashed forward. The coach, racking to and fro, dashed violently at times against the trees. The cries of the wolves drew nearer. They were upon us! They leaped upon the ceach, hung upon the boot, ran yelping

alongside.

My father had placed a pair of pistols in Sam's hands. Both men fired alternately. But they had to stop to load, for it was before the day of revolvers.

One fierce red eyed brute sprang upon the window, from which little Mary, escaping from my mother had thrust out her head. My father fired, and he fell back on the yelling pack below. They stopped a moment to tear him to They stopped a moment to tear him to pieces, and for that moment the coast

was clear. Then they came back with fresh fary, One of the horses gave a yell, human in

It's Susy! cried Sam. They've torn her throat. The mare was one of the leaders. My father drew his knife, and

came up again, leaped on their haunches, and tore the poor brutes so that the flesh

and was scratching to get into the coach.

My father shot him dead. He was not likely to miss his mark with that stot.

Treached the doo; when our half-conscious friend raised himself on his elbow, and, quite intelligibly, though slowly, in-And now the black swarming beasts

sprang headlong on the horses. The, staggered and felt. It is all over, muttered my father.
But my mother, who had been praying inside, was not so sure of that. Just

then came a frightful noise of shouts, horns, guns firing, dogs barking. The wolves paused, pricked their ears— turned, and suddenly scattered through the woods. The freed leader had fortunately out-The freed leader had fortunately out-run the wolves, and had reached Lan-sing and coming to the hotel, his bloody, of which is \$25,000,000. This is every

torn sides and cut traces had told the story. In five minutes, every man and boy in town was out to hunt wolves. We were but two miles from the village, so that we slept in our own house that night after all, and from every other house in the town some little token of good-will was sent to make our sleep the in America. We can harden inderstand

My father was a changed man from days of coffee. The Greeks and Romans and day—a tender, considerate husband never got a scent at this glorious bever-

Raisins, Foreign and Domestic.

The United States is the greatest raisin consuming country in the world, and uses annually more raisins than the whole of Europe. This market is only supplied from Spain, the raisins known as the "Malagas" being considered the best. They come from a comparatively narrow strip of country in the south of Spain, which has hitherto been regarded as surpassing all other regions for raising raisins of that character. The annual raisins of that character. The annual yield of Malaga grapes averages 2,250,000 boxes of twenty pounds each. It sometimes reaches 2,500,000 boxes, and last season 2,000,000 were marketed. Of this enormous yield the United States takes fully one-half, on which it pays a data. takes fully one-half, on which it pays a duty of 2½ cents per pound. The American raisins are made from a white grape, the "Muscat of Alexandria," to the raising of which the soit and climate of a large portion of California are so well adapted. The vine begins to bear somewhat in the second year, although the full bearing is not developed until it is five years old, and continues to bear for half a century, and sometimes for some half a century, and sometimes for seventy-five years. In the cultivation of raisin grapes, American grape-growers have little to learn of Spain, but in the

SALTPETER FOR SQUASH BUGS. To do

I'll soon find it for you.

No, you'll not, Colonel, said Sam.

cisively. You never were in these woods before. Just you keep inside, and lemme alone. This is my business.

A woman's tears are usually more powerful than her words. Wind is not so powerful an element as water, though very essential in rendering the latter of the printing press," says once taken the complaint, what the smell of the foot-lights is to the old actor.

Miscellaneous Recipes.

Vinegar Gindy.—One cup of vinegar, wo cups of white sugar and nuts. Boil the vinegar and sugar until it will break brittle when dropped in cold water.
When done add the nuts. Pour in a
buttered dish and cut before it hardens. Plum Cheese,-Boil plums in sufficient water to prevent burning, then wash and train: to every pound of pulp add half a pound of clean brown sugar; cook as ou would jam, stirring to prevent burnng. It can be cut in slices and is a nice ddition for lunch.

Fried Apples.—Don't fry them after the pork—they will taste too porky. Just drop a little lump of butter in the spider, heat it hot, and then pour in the dish of sliced apples, add half a teacup of boiling water, put on the cover, and let them cook until soft, without stirring them. Give the spider an occasional shake, then take off the cover and let them dry until they begin to brown.

Pudding for Lunch.—Three pints milk, boiling hot; six eggs; four even table-spoonfuls corn-starch; one half cup sugar; pinch of salt. Beat the starch, volks and sugar well together, and add to the boiling milk. Let them boil up, stirring all the time, in a ressel set in boiling water. When it thickens, pour into a dish and cover with the whites of the eggs, beaten to a stiff froth, and mixed with a cupful of powdered sugar, Brown in the oven; flavor with lemon or anything ; you choose. To be eaten

To Keep Milk from Turning.—In Erze-birge, in Saxony, where the cold water system is carried out in large dairies, an apparently effectual plan has been hit upon for preventing their milk "turning" in tempestuous weather. A thin iron wire chain is passed through the milk pans, the ends of which are kept con-stantly in cold water. Dr. Fleischman, of Baden, testifies to the practicabilit, of this method, for, he observes, authorities on this subject maintain that milk is less sensitive to the electricity of the air than to the temperature that surrounds it more immediately. The fact that milk kept in enameled or tin vessels s esaliable to turn sour in hot weather, caks well for this new theory.

He Heard Too Much. Lewis Gaylord Clark, the editor of the Knickerbocker Magazine used to tell the Sillowing story with great delight:
Some two miles up the river from St
Johnsbury, Vt., is a primitive sort of
village called "The Center." Here, not
long since, the rustic youth of "he vi
cinity congregated for a dance, "And
dance they did," said our informant
"with an unclied unknown to your city more, and started back with us in two days, giving my mother but little time for preparation. But he was a driving, hot-tempered, as well as an affectionate man, and never felt that any obstacle was of sufficient importance to stand in the way of any white.

very accurately.

The two wheel-horses dragged the coach about half a mile. Then the pack with the prospect of an undisturbed

and fore the poor brutes so that the flesh hung in great strips.

Cut down another horse. That will keep them back ten minutes, said Sam, with white lips and staring eyes. He had fought silently and bravely. But he was thinking now of his wife and baby.

That would be to burn our ship with the land of the bed. The girls

wo months old.

At that moment my motner, who nad not uttered a sound before, cried out.

A wolf had leaped half into the window,

Then we are lost.

At that moment my motner, who nad not uttered a sound before, cried out.

A wolf had leaped half into the window,

the ball room. They had hardly

"Have you heard anyone say anythia" bout me, gals?"
Fancy their feelings at this juncture.

Consumption or conce. America is fast becoming, if she is not already, the greatest coffee-consuming country cathe globe. Coffee is no longer a luxury, but a necessity of the humble home as well as the abode of the rich. year increasing, in a greater ratio tha that of any nation on the globe. Our increase during the last twenty-live years has been \$\frac{1}{2}\$ per cent., against 2\frac{1}{2} per cent for Europe. The substitutes for coffee which have met with such fa-yor in other countries are not popular now how the world got along before the that day—a tender, considerate husband and father. So that the night with the wolves brought a blessing in the morning, as the dark hours in life often do.

days of coffee. The Greeks and Romans unverget a scent at this glorious beverage for even centuries after it was used in Ethiopia and Abyssinia. During the sixteenth century it was carried down sixteenth century it was carried down to Egypt from Arabia, and cout the same time its fame began to read over

You Must Pay.

Those who subscribe to a church building fund can be compelled to pay. A Appeals. To the claim of the church, the delinquent offered certain technical objections, founded on an alleged lack of organization, proper appointment of treasurer, and defective wording in the subscription paper—objections which at first were sustained by the lower courts, but on being taken to the Court of Appeals the judgment was reversed, and a verdict found for the church for the ertire amount with interest and costs. The case is an important one, as showing that our highest courts are disposed to uphold the rights of churches against refractory subscribers who make large promises and then refuse to keep them, hiding under some petty technicality to escape their just obligations.

It is to be presumed that subscriptions

towards a pastor's salary would come under the same ruling.

landlors; but he'll be wiser before morning. Hitch up the horses.

You must not think my father intentionally hard or cruel; but he was an old army officer, used to having his own way, and to disciplining weaker people than himself.

We drove on slowly. The night was dark and cold, but my mother wrapped Mary and me up in cloaks and buffalo skins, and held the baby close to her breast, and we were comfortable enough.

Sing?—little man? called my father from time to time. Feet warm, Jane? wrote a placard, "The new nut candy one cent a cake." The children dropped to the raisins sold in the market is entirely a natural product of the grape, and comes on with age—first appearing, as a rale, when the raisins are about two confection spread from one school to another. The maker shrewdly confined p. vines, diasolve a tablespoonful of salt peter in a paliful of water, put a pin, or this around each hill, shaping the earth so that it will not spread much, and the thing is done. The more saltpeter the better for vegetables, but the surer death to animal life. The bugs burrow in the earth at night, but fail to rise in the morning. No danger of killing any vegetables with it; a concentrated solution applied to beans makes them grow won derfulls.

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The bugs burrow in the salt out for the country. Some years ago, she sold out her business, and retired with a handsome fortune. Now she lives in a stately house which stands in a grove of walnut trees; carved panels representing walnut bengis decorate the dining room; and on her carriage, instead of a coat of arms, is a bunch of walnut. stroy bogs on squash and encumber berself to making that. Presently she vines, disselve a tablespoonful of salt took a larger shop in the altey. In a sust bursting from the husks.



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