By J. F. ROSE-SOLEY.

trader, as he glanced at the pretty young Samoin woman who had just entered and greeted the strange papalongi with a graceful telofa alli.

these regions a trader without a native wife is a phenomenon. But I might, if I had I wonder now, when I look back, that we used my faculties of otservation, have over. The natives simply could not underknown better. There was no trace of womanly care in the dingy, unkempt little dinbare of adornment, the table was littered a poor lot of savages, going about quite maked, and if you gave one of them a piece with old books and ragged, much worn newspapers, whilst the floor looked as if it were a stranger to the broom. .

The girl, her smiling greetings over, squatted cross-legged on the floor, and busied herself preparing a bowl of kava, which, of course, had been suggested as soon on I arrived. An ample lava-lava of blue creckered stuff was wrapped around her lolns, her full, maidenly bosom was but partially concealed by the black silk handkerchief knotted carelessly over her shoulders, a single wanted tobacco pipes, common clay tobacco

It was the ordinary native costume, such any girl will put on when called in to pose. They would sell everything they make kava for a stranger. But she wore

(Copyright, 1898, the S. S. McClure Co.) she swore she'd atick to me through thick "No, she is not my wife," said the old and thin, and so she did till the end. "But to cut a long story short. We opened up three or four stations safely enough. We used to go, just ourselves, in a boat with our

> stand a white man coming among them like that, all alone, and they were so astonished of print, he would hang it around his neck, and walk away as proud as Punch. They were always fighting amongst themselves, and thought no more of killing a man than we would of shooting a pigeon. Why, I've seen a young fellow executed there just for stealing a cocoanut off a chief's tree, and if they had dared they would have killed me

'They hadn't much to buy goods with, either, a little copra and some beche-de-mer and pearl shells. They wanted axes and flower of the red hibiscus lit up her long. pipes. What they did with them I don't carefully dressed black hair. Kept them as a sort of idol or fetish, I sup to get a pipe, and especially a black one with an air of grace; everything she had and it was because of those cursed pipes that



THE ATTACK ON T HE TRADER'S HUT.

more favored than her dingy Samoan s'sters; too. Perhaps it might have been as well, who passed to and around the buts outside. he added, despondently, or hung around the edge of the veranda the striving to obtain a glimpse of the new arfully as I could, "but how did it happen; tell rival. They could not get any nearer, be-cause the veranda was enclosed with a high

I watched the girl closely, but the trader I watched the girl closely, but the trader took no notice; he seemed absorbed in his of a deep bay, and there were a lot of mansului, or native cigarette, which gave forth great clouds of ameke at each vigorous puff. lithe, slender wrists, with muscles like fine-drawn wire, were wringing out the fine-drawn wire, were wringing cut the fau, or strainer of bark fibre, with which the pounded kava root is separated from the water. The vise-like grip on the fibre never ceased until every drop of julce had been expressed, and then, with a pretty, graceful gesture, she tossed the strainer over her shoulder to a boy standing outside, who shock the dry dust free, and threw it back. Again and again the process was repeated. With the utmost care every grain of sediment was drawn from the bowl, and the dirk-brown liquid, nauseous but refreshing, was ready.

dozen times during the last year, had she chosen."

"Ferhaps,"—and I hesitated.

He nodded. "Yes, perhaps she has an eye on this establishment. People do say so, and they chaff me about the girl. But she's nothing to me. She just washes the clothes and looks after me, that is all."

There was no trace of unseemly levity in his tone. I waited in respectful silence, for he was one of those kindly men who wear their hearts up in their sleeves, and I knew that he would, if left to do it in his own way, tell me the tragedy of his life.

He took another bowl of kava, rolled a fresh eigarette and sighed. I smoked patiently. Then he rose, and, opening a small it was wonderful the way she kept up, with

mole, pa," began the youngster, in that strange mixture of Samean and English

which half-caste boys speak in this country. Then he stopped, noticing my presence.

"All right, Jacky," said the father, giving the curly head a kindly pat, go and say talofa to the gentleman." And bashfully the

and he takes good care of her. She'll grow up into a white lady, I suppose, some day, and won't know her old father."

There was a long pause, and we drank nore kava and smoked in silence. Then the

old gentleman became reminiscent.
"She was 2 years old when the old woman died, and the boy here, well he could just toddle about, holding on to his mother's skirts. There were some who blamed me for

boxes of trade, and a crew of four boys from the duke of York's lale. They were more He was not at all offended at my random suggestion. It was quite excusable, for in so they stuck to us pretty close. "It was the cheek of the thing did it, and

as readily for the sake of my trade.

on wan new and clean; she looked certainly I lost my wife, and nearly lost my own life



cause the veranda was enclosed with a high fence of barbed wire, a device of the trader to keep the too curious natives at a distance.

I watched the cirl closely, but the trader from the main station, and I had to depend groves, I remember, growing along the beach, and then you went up a steep bank ten or twelve feet high, on top of which was the

the dark-brown liquid, nauscous but refreshing, was ready.

The first cup seemed to arouse the old man's dormant loquacity. "She is a strange girl," he remarket, letting his eyes rest for a moment on the kava maiden. "Not like any of the other Samoans. I can't make her out. She never goes gadding about the property of the other same and the property of the color same and a little pearl shell dred pounds of capra and a little pearl shell are week that was all. I soon made up with the other girls, nor flirts with the young men. Sho just stays quietly at home, and refuses all the suitors who ask for her hand. She might have been married a dezen times during the last year, had she

fresh cigarette and sighed. I smoked patiently. Then he rose, and, opening a small writing drak which stood in a corner, drew from it an old and faded photograph.

"There is my wife," he said.

It was just an ordinary common picture taken by a cheap photographer, and, thanks to the climate, rapidly fading into obscurity. One could make out the features of a Samoan woman, rather stout and showily dressed, a baby in her arms and a little girl of about 2 years holding on by the skirts.

As a work of art it was beneath contempt, but the old man handled it reverently, and, before he spoke again, laid the picture back in its receptacle.

"It's fading quickly," he remarked, sortowfully, "though I keep it from the light. "It's fading quickly," he remarked, sorrowfully, "though I keep it from the light
all I can. It was taken by a traveling
photographer in New Britain just before—
But it's all I have left of her. There's only
the boy and I alone now."

A smile lit up his thin face, "Here he
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A smile lit up his thin face. "Here he is," he exclaimed, as a fine little fellow of about 10 rushed into the room. "Faa-mole-to start at once. The boys got the whole to start at once. The boys got the whale boat out from the shed under which she has been lying, and together we pushed the down the steep bank into the bay. But w had no sooner launched her than she filled the water was up to her thwarts, and there was nothing for it but to haul her ashore

talefa to the gentleman." And bashfully the boy, who had not seen a strange white man for months, held out his hand, and then took the first opportunity of escaping from the room to join his playmates outside.

"He's all I have left," continued the trader, "and I'm doking my best to bring him up as an Englishman. But what can I do here? He must flay with the Samoan boys, or with no one, and I carnot afford to send him away to school. The little girl's better off, she's gone with a missionary to Sydney, and he takes good care of her. She'll grow and he takes good care of her. She'll grow we never heard a sound. They had close by, we never heard a sound. They had staved in the planks with the heads of their staved in the planks with the hedus of their stone axes. It was a good job I had not sold them any iron tomahuwks, or else the boat would have been cut to pieces beyond repair. It was bad enough, but, as the wrecked craft by there in the mangrove swamp. I saw a glimmer of hope. If we could patch her up we might still get away. skirts. There were some who biamed me for taking her to that outlandish New Britale, where the people are real savages, and not civilized like here. But what was I to do? I'd been trading for McAlister & Co.—you've heard of them, I suppose—when the firm broke up, and I was left stranded on the beach. I hadn't had a chance to save much, and there was the wife and child to keep. When I got the offer to go to New Britain and open up some new trading stations I jumped at it, without thinking overmuch of the risk.

"I was a fool I know and new if I could batch her up we might still get away. If we couldn't—well, I knew none of us would see another dawn. It was touch and go, but there was just a chance. I posted the men on guard all around the palisade, with strict injunctions to fire at every native they saw approaching. Then the wife they saw approaching. Then the wife they saw approaching. Then the wife they saw approaching the more of us would see another dawn. It was touch and go, but there was just a chance. I posted the men on guard all around the palisade, with strict injunctions to fire at every native they saw approaching. Then the wife they saw approaching. Then the wife they saw approaching the men on guard all around the palisade, with strict injunctions to fire at every native they saw approaching. Then the wife we had been living on nothing but tinned stuff for the last week, there were plenty. I made a fire, and melted the solder out of the tins, so that I had a number of strips. jumped at it, without thinking overmuch of the risk.

"I was a fool I know, and now, if I could only take it all back." He took another cup of kava to hide his emotion.

I could think of nothing appropriate to say, so I sat and waited, while the girl, squatting on the floor, looked up in her master's face and thoughtfully began to prepare a second bowl of kava.

At last he resumed the broken narrative: "We got on all right as long as we were at the head station, where there were several whites, and the natives had, in a way, learned some manners. But when I went away to distant parts of the isle to the floor of the boat, and the natives had, in a way, learned some manners. But when I went away to distant parts of the isle to the floor of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of strips of the tins, so that I had a number of the say hard work. I can tell you, lying on my back in the mud amid the prickly mangrove at tunps, nailing little bits of tin on each broken place. We put the children to sleep in the bottom of the boat, while my wife tunps, nailing little bits of tin on each broken place. We put the children to sleep in the bottom of the boat, while my wife tunps, nailing little bits of tin on each st

and make ready to shove off, whilst the wife and I went up to the house to get a few little personal effects we had not yet carried down to the beach. down to the beach.
"I remember, just as well as if I could see it now, scrambling up the slippery bank and making our way to the little house. We were careless, perhaps, but we did not anticipate any attack. I walked straight up to the hut. The door was closed, and I was color to nuch it onen when my wife, who going to push it open, when my wife, who was just behind, caught me around the waist and threw me backward with all her force. She was a strong woman, and I was weak and tired, and I rolled over like a baby. At the same instant she fell, a dozen spears through her body, the door burst open and a crowd of naked savages dashed out and made or badly wounded, I suppose, but at any rate they did not stop to look, they were in such a furry to get the goods, and the oversight saved my life. I yelled out to the boat's crew to shove off, and then I crawled up to where my wife was lying. It was all ago. As only a small proportion of the over with her, I could see at a glance, and stalls could be disposed of this forenoon

"Perhape I should have stayed, I do not know, but at any rate I had no time to reason over the matter. There were the savages coming back from the beach full of troversy between the Market Gardeners' as-rage and disappointment at finding the boat sociation and the gardeners who do not beout of their reach. I crawled to the right and made a circle around to gain the shore, and luckily I got away unobserved. The boat was lying a hundred yards off; fortunately

which showed them up as bright as day.

This was just what I wanted, for I emptied my rifle into the midst of them, and the boys gave them a volley with theirs. They scattered like magic in every direction. I made a cush up the chore and carried the wife down, for I was beginning by this time of the state of the scattered like magic in every direction. I made a cush up the chore and carried the wife down, for I was beginning by this time of the chore and carried the wife down, for I was beginning by this time ruled that such a bid could not be received to the chore and carried the same of the chore and carried to feel a bit eshamed of myself for having as, according to the ordinance, bils must be left her so quickly. But what could I do, my received on each stall separately. This was gun was in the boat, and if I had stopped I should only have been killed, too, and the decision was loudly applauded by the nonchildren would have been left without a union gardeners. The union gardeners de-father. I found ther lying to the same spot, clined to bid further and the sales made but she was dead, and the wretches had during the forenoon were almost exclusively even tied her up ready to carry her away. "By the time I had lain her in the boat

was nearly daylight, and I thought I would wait a bit and see it through. My blood I took a big drink of schnapps, and gave the boys a strong dose, too. This, as they were not used to liquor, made them quite mad, and they wanted to land at once and wipe out the whole settlement. But I thought it wise to rest a while, and, with my rifle on my knee, I sat still and looked at the dead woman as she lay on the bot at the dead woman as see lay on the bot-tom boards of the boat, and at the little children sleeping so peacefully at her side. We pulled the boat off just out of range of their spears. By and by, when the sun was up, a great big savage stole down to the beach to have a look round, and I potted him as neatly as I would have done ocat close in, and waded ashore. It took me out thoroughly. Their houses were little bits of huts-not like our fine Samoan dwellings, raised off the ground on poles, and out into the bush, but any that I found I shot, and burned every hut in the place. I

don't think they will forget me there in a hurry. Next day I buried my wife at the head station, and resigned my billet. I had had enough of New Britain."

The old man stopped suddenly. "Pass that if the general special and school district obligations of the city were added to its share of the county indebtedness, the still squatting patiently on the floor. "And now, you will understand, young man, why I per cent of its taxable valuation. But in had enough of New Britain."

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Sloux City Party Starts for Alaska. hirty-seven men from Sioux City, Ia., with Dr. J. N Henry as leader, left here yesterday for Yakutat bay, aboard the steamer Alliance The party expects to spend two years prospecting in Alaska.

sore and worn out, but there was no time to think about these things. We launched the boat, and it seemed pretty tight, so I bade the men bundle the trade boxes into it Hucksters Bid Off the Places for the

Summer Season.

CITY ENGINEER CONDUCTS AN AUCTION

Rivalry Between Union and Nonunion

Gardeners Brings Some Handsome Premiums to the City'se Treasury. City Engineer Rosewater turned auctioneer up, pay the property owners \$500 as damages and George P. Bemis \$500 as his commission cess of it. About fifty of the market place

stalls were sold between 10 o'clock and noon, and the average prices received were the sale of the remaining \$25,000 of interse more than double what they sold for a year all she could whisper was 'Vave, vave, run and there was no let-up in the bidding, the quick and save yourself!' sale will be continued as long as purchasers are in evidence. The bidding started off with a lively con-

The first bid for first choice of stalls was \$4 and this was quickly raised to \$9, at which it was knocked off. The second choice sold for \$13, and the third for \$10. There was a slight downward inclination as the sale progressed, but none of the first twenty stalls went for less than \$5.50. The thirtyfifth choice sold for \$4.

OMAHA BONDS IN GOOD DEMAND

Agent for an Eastern Firm Talks This City's Advantages. Mr. Barnett, who represents the bond buy ing firm of Spitzer & Co. of Toledo, is in the city for the purpose of purchasing the refunding bonds that Bernard Thurman & Co. refused to take. Mr. Barnett put in the third a wild pig. Then another, and another, until best bid at the previous sale, and he says that they began to see that the business was a he is ready to take the bonds at that figure dangerous one, and gave it up. Having or will even pay a better price if necessary scared them sufficiently, we anchored the He cays that it is undoubtedly true that the Having or will even pay a better price if necessary refusal of any firm to accept a block of bonds helf a day to do it, but I cleaned that town discredits the bonds to a certain extent. A it a rule not to bid on any bonds that have een previously sold and turned down. each fenced in as if they were always afraid he says that he has not the elightest down of attack. Most of the people had cleared of the validity of the refunding bonds and of the validity of the refunding bonds and proposes to buy them if possible.

Speaking of Omaha bonds in general Mr. Burnett says that it is surprising to him how well Omaha bonds are sold in com-parison to those of other cities. He sugpremiums far in excess of those commanded by the bonds of other cities less heavily involved. As a case in point, Mr. Barnett stated that he had just purchased a block of \$140,000 water works bonds issued by one of the best towns in Colorado. Aside from these bonds the entire bonded debt of the city is only \$85,000, and the revenues derived from the water works plant are sufficient to pay the running expenses, the interest on the entire bonded debt and leave

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"The' master of the situation, yet his courage failed."
"Count the milestones as you go."
"The elect filled his eyes, nearly blinding him."

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a surplus besides. The \$140,000 bonds are payable in gold and run for twenty years at 5 per cent. Yet he had bought them for \$0.9675. In Houston, Tex., bonds were issued for forty years at 5 per cent payable in gold and he had bought five blocks at a nominal premium. But Omaha bonds, which do not contain the gold clause and bear only 4 per cent interest, are readily sold at a fancy premium. It is at least a forcible indication of the financial standing of the city.

Ends the Elkhorn Valley Deal. The city council met in special session yesterday to formally approve the settlemen informally agreed on with the owners of the Elkhorn Valley house. A resolution was unenimously adopted by which the city will restore the concrete sidewalk which was torn

Health Commissioner Spalding will soon ask for the appointment of one sanitary inspector for the summer. The charter provides that while sanitary inspection shall be was lying a hundred yards off; fortunately the men had had the sense to wait and see and thus compel the outsiders to get into if we escaped. I swam off to them and found the children all well and the native boys shivering with fear. But a kick or two soon roused them, and I had the boat pulled as close in shore as I dared.

"The savages were rushing about and shouthing and making a tremendous row. Evidently they were searching for me, and they shouthing and making a tremendous row. Evidently they were searching for me, and they sold to the highest bidder, then the second them up as bright as day, willing to pay a premium for any of the tinto provided for the department will be done by the police, the health department may employ as many additional inspectors as the funds provided for the department will be funds provided for the department will be organization. The procedure established by the ordinance is that each occupant of the stall shall pay 10 cents a day for the privilege. As some locations are considered better than others it is provided that before the market is opened the stalls shall be put sary to see that it is enforced, and this duty shouting and making a tremendous row. Evidently they were searching for me, and they constitute the organization. The procedure established the organization in the sund provided for the department will the funds provided for the department will the funds provided for the funds provided tion of the Advisory Board to the necessity for a thorough cleaning up of the alleys and back yards, and the chief of police will probably be requested to detail a squad of men for that purpose.

Mortality Statistics. The following births and deaths were re ported at the health office during the twentyfour hours ending at noon yesterday: Births-Peter Lindberg, 825 South Twenty

fourth street, girl; Harry Stern, 1138 North Sixteenth, boy; J. E. Baum, 3705 Jones, girl; K. C. Barton, 2208 Howard, boy; Frank A. Benolken, 2775 California, boy; Josephine Yousen, 214 South Twenty-eighth, girl. Deaths-William Grube, 43, county hospital, assaulty, Forest Lawn; George Fair, 22, 112 South Twelfth, intestinal obstruction Vaclay Klebat, 78, Fourth and Marcy, heart disease, St. Mary's; Mrs. Mary Teegarden, 35, 964 North Twenty-seventh, tuberculosis St. Joseph, Mo.

City Hall Notes. A permit has been issued for the construc-tion of the Moorish village at the exposition

Matilda E. Riley, supervisor of drawing n the public schools of St. Louis, has been selected to organize the conference of draw ing teachers at the Transmississippi Educational congress.

Comptroller Westberg, acting under in structions from the committee on public property and buildings of the city council has advertised for bids for painting and re decorating the corridors and the principal offices of the city hall. An effort will be made to have the job completed before exposition visitors begin to arrive.

Croup is prevented by the timely use of Dr. Bull's cough syrup, the mother's friend Government's Case Faulty.

The case of the government against Henrietta Lemmon in the federal court has beer rietta Lemmon in the federal court has been brought to a sudden end. This is an action for \$1.675 rent on some Winnebaco land brought on a bond given by the defendant. After the jury was selected it was discovered that the approval of the bond had not been set up in the pleadings. The document must be secured from Washington. The government was allowed to withdraw a juror and thus brought about the dismissal of the case without prejudice.

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and George P. Bemis \$500 as his commission on the sale that didn't sell.

The council also instructed the finance committee to have the ordinance providing for the sale of the remaining \$25,000 of intersection bonds prepared at once in order that the contractors may begin work without further delay. There will be a special meeting called tomorrow or Monday to introduce the ordinance so it can be passed at the next regular meeting.

The exposition association was given permission to construct a barb wire fence on the east side of the bluff tract.

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