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## THEY KNEW WHAT IT MEANT

Animals Sought Cover When the Auto-Tooter Was Heard in Their Midst.

When it was proposed, last fall, to set aside one of the public roads at Long Island during part of a day as an automobile race course there was loud objection from the country folk. The New York Times has discovered one who was entirely pleased with the outcome.

"What did you think of it?" a traveler asked him a day or two later.

"The best thing for me that ever happened!" was the emphatic reply.

"What?"

"Yes, siree! You see, I have a balky mule that draws my truck to market every morning. Yesterday that mule balked half way to town. I couldn't get him to stir. While I was cogitating what to do I saw a funny rubber thing in the road. I picked it up and accidentally squeezed it. It let out a terrible noise. It was one of those auto tooters, that got lost.

"Well, when that mule heard it behind him he started so quick I hardly had time to grab the tailboard, and he never let up till he reached the ferry.

"I brought the thing home and showed it to Mandy, and she squeezed it and squeezed it. Every chicken on the farm ran for the coop at the first sound. Every pig hid in the pen, the cow ran behind the barn, the cat got under the stove, the dog raced for his kennel, and Mandy and I spent the quietest night we've ever had. Of all the labor-saving machines I ever saw, that is the best, and the autos can race up and down my road as often as suits them."

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## Western Live Stock Show at Denver.

The best judges of live stock in the country have been elected to pass upon the stock to be shown at the Western Live Stock Show January 29th to February 3d, 1906. T. B. Hord, one of the most extensive feeders of cattle in the world will judge feeder cattle. Thomas Cross, head cattle buyer for the National Packing Co., and judge of the fat cattle at the International at Chicago, will judge all classes of fat cattle. The single classes of sheep will be judged by Geo. McKerrow, president of the State Board of Agriculture in Wisconsin. Mr. McKerrow has won more prizes on pure bred sheep in the last ten years than any other exhibitor in America. Chas. Gray, secretary of the American Galloway Breeders Association, winner of the gold medal for stock judging at the Chicago International in 1902, will pass judgment on the Galloways. Overton Harris, a prominent Missouri breeder, will judge Herefords, and C. R. Thomas, secretary of the American Hereford Cattle Association, will have charge of this exhibit. Peter Jansen of Jansen, Neb., has been asked to judge the carcasses of sheep, and Henry Gebhard, president of the Colorado Packing and Provision Co., will judge the carcass classes. The exhibits will be arranged conveniently so that visitors may see and learn the most possible in the shortest time. The judging will take place in a heated pavilion.—Amarillo Herald.

## ALICE PLUNGES INTO TANK

President's Daughter Leaps in Water When Congressman Longworth Fails to Take Dare.

Honolulu.—The transport Sheridan brings a story of how Alice Roosevelt, fully dressed, dived into a canvas bathing tank while on the steamship Manchuria one morning on her way from Nagasaki. She was wearing a white silk waist and a silk skirt, and was carrying a silk parasol.

"Congressman Longworth," she remarked, "if you will take a plunge dressed as you are, I will follow suit."

Longworth, who was arrayed in a blue coat, flannel trousers and white duckshoes, shrugged his shoulders.

"Well, if you don't dare, I do," said Miss Roosevelt, and before a dozen members of the Taft party could protest, Miss Roosevelt had tossed her parasol aside, and, dressed as she was, leaped into the tank.

"Don't you take a dare?" she shouted to Longworth as she arose to the surface, and started to swim as gracefully as her bedraggled clothing would allow. This bantering was too much for the Cincinnati man, and he plunged into the tank to help Miss Roosevelt to steps, where they both climbed up and out of the water.

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## ANNOUNCEMENT

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**LAND**

Last Sunday morning and night those of Tahoka's citizens who went to the court house, heard a couple of excelent sermons by Rev. J. M. Wood, of Evant, Tex., a drummer and a Methodist local preacher. Rev. Wood is thinking of locating in Terry county, where there is, so we have been told, a regular colony of preachers, six or eight being located in and around Gomez.

Jeff Singleton and wife, who have been spending the holidays with Mrs. Singleton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wooten, returned home Thursday.—Dawson County News.

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FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 1906.

A full line of wool flannel at Wells & Welchers.

We call your attention to the notices of the two new roads to be opened up shortly.

FOR SALE—450 bales of hay at 30 and 35 cents a bale F. O. B. 8 1/2 miles east of Tahoka.—E. T. Payne.

We hear the Tahoka post office will soon change hands and Mrs. Henderson will move to her home east of town. Mrs. Henderson is one of the pioneer women of the county. She got up this office for the accommodation of the early settlers and has given faithful and efficient service ever since. We shall miss her sadly, but will rejoice with her that she is free to occupy her pretty home for which she has waited so long.

We are always receiving, and selling, fresh, pure drugs at Taylor's, west side square.

Judge Perryman and ye editor received cordial invitations from Prof. Walker, the principal of our school, to pay them a visit Friday morning. Judge Perryman gave the children an opening address on their duties and responsibilities as pupils and future citizens, which was a gem of thought and wisdom and yet couched in such terms as to be easily understood by the youngest child present. Our teachers are doing good work and so are the children and the patrons should encourage them both by visiting the school and giving a word of appreciation where it is so richly deserved.

Boy's and men's sweaters, and men's overshirts at Wells & Welchers. You just ought to see them.

One of Mr. Ketners boys met with a serious accident some days ago. He was assisting his father in hawling feed, when he fell from the wagon and broke one of his legs. He is doing nicely.

Go to Taylor's for patent medicines and pure drugs.

Mrs. A. V. Taylor is down on Moores Draw where Mr. Taylor is drilling a well.

## Road Notice to Non-Resident Land Owners.

THE STATE OF TEXAS, } ss.  
County of Lynn

We the undersigned Jury of Freeholders, citizens of said Lynn County, Texas, duly appointed by the Commissioners' Court of Lynn County, Texas, at its November Term, 1905, to view and establish a First class Road from N. E. Corner of Survey 32, in Blk. 8, E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co. and the S. E. Cor. of Sur. 17. Thence East on section lines to the East line of Lynn County and having been duly sworn as the law directs, hereby give notice that we will on the Sixth day of February, 1906, assemble at the point described above and thence proceed to survey, locate view, mark out and establish said road, beginning at the N. E. Cor. of Sur. 32, blk. 8, E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co. and the S. E. Cor. of Sur. 17. Thence East on section lines to the East boundary line of Lynn County. Said road will be laid off by or through the following lands:—

Abstract,	Survey,
124	101
205	439
56	437
281	407
166	409
323	435
514	438
33	403

And we do hereby notify the said unknown owners or their agents or attorneys and any and all persons owning lands through which said road may run, that we will at the same time proceed to assess the damages incidental to the opening and establishment of said road, when they may, either in person or by agent or attorney, present to us a written statement of the amount of damages, if any, claimed by them.

Witness our hands this 11th day of January, A. D. 1906.

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H. E. BALDRIDGE	
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B. H. BLACK	

When you have to buy drugs, you want a pure, strong, cheap, compound. That is just what you can get at Taylor's Drug Store.

Alec Henderson will move from his place on Moores Draw to the northeast corner of the county where he will work on aranch.

FOR RENT—1600 acres of good land in blocks to suit, and on your own terms.—Lewis Robinson, Tahoka, Texas.

Tahoka has quite a number of citizens from the central plains and we find by the correspondence they receive that the climatet is much milder here.

We had quite a snow Tuesday night, about three inches, but it was nearly all gone by Wednesday night.

**Notice to Wood Haulers**  
Any one cutting or hauling wood out of the Llano Pasture in Garza County will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

No one has any permission to get wood in this pastur.

J. T. Lofton.  
Manager.

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a happy New Year for 1906.

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**FLYING SNAKE IN VIRGINIA.**  
Reptile with Wings, That Fed on  
Birds, Is Killed in King  
George.

Comorn, Va.—A most remarkable and uncommon "flying snake" that was captured and killed at "Berry plain," the home of John S. Dickinson, in this county, a few days ago, has attracted wide attention.

The curious reptile was first noticed flying about in the air, presenting the appearance of an ordinary snake attached to a strange looking bird.

As far as is known, it never once descended to the earth and crawled on the ground after the manner of snakes, but it would occasionally alight in trees and catch such birds as best suited its fancy.

It was finally killed and proved to be five feet long and about one inch in diameter of body. It had wings of good size, covered with feathers.

"Berry plain," where the curious thing made its advent and met its untimely end, is one of the finest plantations in King George, being situated

on the banks of the Rappahannock. It is conjectured by some that the "flying snake" may have come from an impenetrable marsh of the river or some neighboring creek.

But this theory is not accepted by many, for, as far as can be learned, nothing bearing a similarity to this serpent was ever before seen or heard of anywhere in this section of the country.

**PLAYED CRUSOE ON A BET**  
Cleveland Man Lost Wager on Election and Lived Twelve Years on Island.

After living a Robinson Crusoe existence for more than 12 years on Pancake rock, one of the Thousand Islands in the St. Lawrence river, Samuel R. Dean, of Cleveland, has left his desert island to go out into the world again, says a Watertown, N. Y., dispatch.

Mr. Dean took up his residence there as the result of an election bet made in 1892. The terms of the wager were that if he lost he was to live on the most desolate spot he could find in the Thousand Islands until a republican president had been elected three times in succession.

Although supplied with provisions, Dean was to see no human being except the ferryman who brought supplies every six months. During the Cleveland-Harrison campaign Mr. Dean made the bet with Frederick R. Peters in a London club. Had the Englishman lost he was to have led the same existence on the Shetland islands until a democratic president was elected thrice.

After the election Peters released Dean from the agreement, but the latter insisted on paying the bet in the fullest measure and commenced his life in exile in June, 1892. Peters died about five years ago because of worry over the failure of Dean to leave the island.

The morning after the last election Dean was taken from the island to Montreal. At that time he claims his beard was about three feet long and his hair about the same length. He had become accustomed to life on the island and after a visit to Cleveland, where an agent has settled up his affairs, he will return and write a book on his experiences.

**Love Underground.**  
The subway as a trysting place equals the stile of olden days, for not a moment in the day passes but one or more couples are seen leaning over the rail which separates the entrance to the ticket office and the train inclosure looking unutterable things into each other's eyes. For the most part the couples are totally oblivious to their surroundings. When business is slack they afford no end of amusement to the guards and ticket choppers.—N. Y. Sun.



## WAR NEWS BY WIRELESS.

Exciting Adventures of an English Newspaper Correspondent at Port Arthur.

It was an exciting story which Capt. Lionel James, a London Times war correspondent, told at the Society of Arts a few nights ago. It showed how useful a servant of journalism wireless telegraphy may be made in warfare, and it also provided instances of the dangers incurred by the correspondent in making use of it, says the London Mail.

Capt. James, giving a history of his experiences while sending news from the Times dispatch boat by means of the wireless system, described how he witnessed a naval attack on Port Arthur, and how he found his boat in the middle of a Japanese torpedo flotilla.

"We determined to give the system a real trial," he said. "We commenced to send the message, which was 1,500 words in length, to a station 130 miles away. The message was sent in four sections. At the end of the first section the operator on the ship listened in vain for a reply.

"All excitement, was waiting in the operator's room to see if there was any result. For about five minutes the operator remained with the telephonic receivers glued to his ears, and then I saw a light gleam in his eyes. He was getting something. At last he took off the telephone and said in his quiet, quaint American way: 'Captain, we will deliver the goods. Weihaiwei says that it is coming in like a drum.' Then I knew that the system was a success."

The Times dispatch boat, the Halmun, was fitted with the De Forest wireless apparatus, and a receiving station was erected near Weihaiwei, the first message sent being in relation to the landing of Kuroki's army. Capt. James sent it from a distance of 80 miles, and when he reached the station found, to his joy, that it was on its way to London. Then he went in quest of further adventure.

Arriving in the neighborhood of Port Arthur, he saw three battleships and two cruisers of the Russian fleet, and immediately sent a wireless message to Weihaiwei, 75 miles away. After this came a run to Chinampo and a dash back to Port Arthur, where important events were pending. The dispatch boat arrived there just in time.

"Just as day was breaking the chief officer on the Halmun woke me to say that the Japanese fleet was on our starboard beam. We had hit it off exactly, and keeping abreast of Togo's squadron, we witnessed the operations which cost the Russian cause a first-class battleship and Admiral Makaroff."

Here is a passage telling of the perils of the war correspondent: "The Yellow sea, and especially that portion of it which it was our custom to patrol, was alive with floating mines. Moreover, the Russians, no doubt irritated by their misfortunes, had threatened both myself and my operators with a violent death if we should chance to fall into their hands.

"The reason why the Times' system ceased was because the Japanese naval and military authorities recognized that the existence of a possible channel of leakage of military secrets presented a flaw in their plan of campaign."

Summing up, the lecturer said that he thought wireless telegraphy, in conjunction with journalistic enterprise, had demonstrated its uses too well, and that the success of the system had assisted in its downfall.

One cupful chopped ham, one teaspoonful butter in spider, when melted add ham, add 1/4 teaspoonful mixed with one-quarter cupful hot water, pinch of cayenne, stir all together; when heated well stir in one beaten egg.—Boston Globe.

## Harvesting Last Summer's Crop.

Mr. Bivins and family have returned to their home in Lynn county from a visit in southern Texas. Mr. Bivins was one of our summer prospectors who bought land here and then went back to arrange his affairs for a permanent sojourn on the plains. Last summer this country was full of prospectors, from which we, harvested a good crop of citizens whose quantity is only surpassed by their quality.

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County of Lynn }

We the undersigned Jury of Freeholders, citizens of said Lynn County, Texas, duly appointed by the Commissioners' Court of Lynn County, Texas, at its November Term, 1905, to view and establish a Second class Road from Tahoka to the South line of Lynn County and having been duly sworn as the law directs, hereby give notice that we will on the 5th day of February 1906 assemble at Tahoka and thence proceed to survey, locate view, mark out and establish said road, beginning at the S. E. Cor. of Sur. 487, Blk. 1, E. L. & R. R. Ry. Co. Thence East 2 mile the N. E. Cor. of Sur. 476. Thence South one mile the S. E. Cor. of Sur. 476. Thence East one mile the N. E. Cor. of Sur. 468. Thence South, on section lines, to the South boundary line of Lynn County. Said road will be laid off by or through the following lands owned by Non-Residents:—

Abstract.	Survey,
22	473
102	203
146	17
166	409
238	415
241	417
209	43

And we do hereby notify the said unknown owners or their agents or attorneys and any and all persons owning lands through which said road may run, that we will at the same time proceed to assess the damages incidental to the opening and establishment of said road, when they may, either in person or by agent or attorney, present to us a written statement of the amount of damages, if any, claimed by them.

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T. J. MITCHELL }  
H. E. BALDRIDGE } JURORS  
G. T. BEACH } OF  
M. M. REDWINE } VIEW.  
B. H. BLACK }

Belton Howell was unfortunate enough to get kicked by a pet colt last Sunday morning, his nose was broken and the rest of his face badly bruised. Under Dr. Windham's skillful attention the wound is doing nicely.

Well Sir, you just ought to see the overshoes at Wells & Welcher's store, all sizes, shapes and descriptions, and at such reasonable prices too. My, you better stock up.

Little Miss Carmen Colwell who has been attending school at Bufolo Gap, returned to her home last Wednesday.

## THAT WATCH OF YOURS

is in many respects similar to a railway engine. Let an engine be run without oil or cleaning and before long it will stop dead. Upon examination it will be found that the friction and wear and tear has ruined the machinery, and it is fit only for the old iron heap. Likewise your watch: you put it in your pocket and while there is a kick in it, you, in your mistaken economy, do not consult the watchmaker and consequently rob your watch of years of good service and also much of its former accuracy. The time-keeping qualities of a good watch are maintained and often improved by timely and skilful attention. If you want your watch to be true to you, you must be true to your watch.

I am thoroughly equipped with up-to-date tools and a knowledge of clocks and watches, and would appreciate the patronage of the good people of Lynn County. Just leave the timepiece or other repairs in the jewelry line at the Tahoka Drug Store where it will be sent directly to me.

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### Children's Party.

Last Friday evening Mrs. McLoud entertained the school children at a party in honor of her son John and her little daughters Clara and Maggie. According to all reports the party was a great success.

The finest line of Candies in Tahoka at W & Ws.

## The Best Papers.

The papers you want are the papers that will suit your entire family best. A combination that will answer this requirement is this paper and The Fort Worth Semi-weekly Record. The Record is a general newspaper of the best type. Aply edited, splendidly illustrated, it carries a news service which is the best that knowledge and experience can suggest. Special features of the Record appeal to the housewife, the farmer the stock-raiser and the artisan. The colored comic pictures printed in Friday issue are a rare treat for the young folks. It's market news is worth the money. You will surely be a constant reader of The Record once you try it, and the favorable clubbing offer made below is an opportunity not to be missed: Family-Weekly Record 1 year \$1.00 Lynn County News 1 year \$1.00 Both papers 1 year \$1.80. Subscribe at this office.

Fine Candies and all kinds of Nuts at Taylor's.

Mr. Millman and Lewis Robinson went through Tahoka the fore part of the week with telephone posts to be used in the construction of the new line being built from Lubbock, south to connect with Big Springs.

A load of baled Johnson grass came into town Monday from Ellis Paynes place there were 40 bales on the wagon. This is the first load of baled stuff we have seen since we came to Lynn county. It was delivered at Simmons stable and Wagon Yard.

Miss Ida Hart has returned from Floyd county to her school at Lynn where she will teach for the next six months.



## An Idyll of Oyster Bay

I waited breathlessly, expecting Hans to come for me, but an hour went by; then Harriet went down-stairs and out into the cow-shed.

I remembered Douglas's wish bitterly. The cow was needing an all-night treatment, and I should never see him again. I laid my arms across the table by the window and cried bitterly, and in crying must have fallen asleep, for I knew no more till a hand was laid on my head.

I started up! It was Hans.

"It's four o'clock, you must hurry," he said; "she's been round all night with that cow!"

Without a word I obeyed his instructions. Hans crept softly over the sill, tied a piece of rope around my waist, directed me to crawl out of the window, and gently lowered me into the arms of a figure waiting below. Douglas.

St. ably he hurried me down to the boat, but in a moment Hans was after us.

"Where be you going?" he said, "you can't take her nowhere in that boat. I'm deaf and dumb, I am. Say all you've a mind to right here, and I'll put her back in her room without any one knowing she's been out of it."

Douglas paused.

"Nan," he said, "your coming to me tells me all I want to know. My mother is staying in New Rochelle; let me take you with me to her, and ere the sun sets again you shall be my wife."

I drew back.

"What she said was true," I said, slowly. "I am not her niece; I have been brought up in luxury; I do not know any thing about earning my living—but I am free. In a few days I would have had to decide whether I would marry a man I do not love for the sake of the wealth the marriage would bring me. Harriet wishes me to marry this man—but since I have seen you—I can not."

"You do love me, then?" he exclaimed, rapturously.

I smiled up in his face.

Hans had discreetly turned his back, and with a sigh of deep content Douglas took me in his arms, and for the first time, Clara, a lover's lips met mine! Oh! Clara! don't let any one persuade you to marry for money! Wait until you have found your happiness as I have done.

"Will you come with me?" he asked, after a minute.

"Anywhere, everywhere!" I replied.

"Hans," he called. "Miss Nan has promised to be my wife. I want to take her with me on the yacht to my mother in New Rochelle. Will you come with her and deliver her into my mother's hands?"

Hans' only answer was to shove off the boat and lift me in.

In fifteen minutes we were at the yacht's side. Already there was a still on board. It was ten minutes to five and the two men who sailed her were anxious to be off.

The boat was hauled up, the anchor weighed, and in a few minutes the wind



"I AM TOO HAPPY TO WRITE."

was bellying out the sails and we were off.

Oh! those sweet first moments as she answered to her helm and with the glad

bound of an impatient horse thrust her pretty nose in the waters and sent them bubbling and seething along her sides.

Suddenly there was a cry:

"Look out, there! Boat ahoy! Look out!" and to Douglas, who was at the wheel, a cry of: "Put her hard down to port, sir!"

Right up alongside of us sped a cat-boat, and its occupant, with a dexterous lunge, fastened himself to us with his boat-hook.

It was William Sayer. The lumbering old oysterman had been made to hurry for once.

"Harriet knows you're gone," he gasped, the wind blowing his words back down his throat, "and she says you're to come right back along o' me, Miss Van Cortland."

Douglas let go the wheel and left it to fate or Hans.

"Miss what?" he cried, springing to my side.

"Van Cortland!" I said, surprised.

"Is your name Van Cortland?"

"Yes."

"Nanette Van Cortland?"

"Yes."

On the face of everybody he took me in his arms.

"Nan, my darling Nan, is it possible! Why, Nan, I am your cousin, Pryor D."

Oh! Clara, how every thing changed! It was "farewell grief and welcome joy, ten thousand times therefore," as the old song has it. We hauled down the sails long enough to go on shore and tell Harriet all about it, and get me a decent gown to stand at New Rochelle in. We took Harriet on board along with us, and as we sailed Douglas told me how he came to be called Douglas and not Pryor D. Pryor is also his father's name, and as his father's old firm had employed him as soon as he was able to join them, they had always been spoken of as Mr. Van Cortland and Mr. Douglas, and thus Harriet's mistake



"MISS WHAT?" HE CRIED.

had arisen, which he had never thought it worth while to rectify.

What a happy party we were as we sailed down the sound—and how overjoyed his mother was when he presented me to her, and she found that the desire of her heart was to be so happily gratified—are things that I will tell you when you come back; but I wish that every bride this year may feel as glad and proud as I shall to-morrow, when I put my hand in Douglas' and become Mrs. Pryor D. Van Cortland.

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[THE END.]

### HIS NOSE ITCHED.

But He Did Not Enjoy the Way in Which It Was Scratched.

"One night," said Ben Holladay to a New York World man, "I was bouncing over the plains in one of my overland coaches.

"Mrs. Holladay and myself were the only passengers. Several stages had been robbed within two months and the driver was ripping along as though a gang of prairie wolves were after him. Suddenly the horses were thrown on their haunches and the stage stopped.

"I was heaved forward, but quickly recovered, and found myself gazing at

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the muzzles of a double-barreled shotgun.

"Throw up your hands and don't stir!" shouted the owner in a gruff voice.

"Up went my hands and I began to commune with myself. The fellow then coolly asked for my money. I saw that he did not know who I was, and I was afraid that my sick wife might awake and call my name.

"My coat was buttoned over my bosom, but scarcely high enough to hide a magnificent emerald that cost me over \$8,000 a few weeks before in San Francisco.

"I scarcely breathed through fear that light might strike the stone, and its sparkling brilliancy attract the attention of the robber. I had about \$40,000 in a money-belt and several hundred dollars in my pocket.

"Suddenly my friend shouted: 'Come, shell out—quick, or I'll send the old 'un a free lunch.'

"I passed out the few hundreds loose in my pockets and handed him my gold watch and chain. They were heavy. I think the chain alone would weigh five pounds at least.

"There," said I—"there's every cent I've got! Take it and let me go on. My wife is very ill, and I don't know what would happen to her if she knew what was going on."

"Keep your hands up!" was the reply, while a second robber received my watch and money.

"Then a search was made for the express company's box, but the double-barreled shotgun did not move. Its muzzles were within a foot of my nose. For my life I did not dare to stir.

"My nose began to itch. The stiff hairs of my mustache got up, one after another, and tickled it until the sensation was intolerable. I could stand it no longer.

"Stranger," I cried, "I must scratch my nose! It itches so that I am almost crazy!"

"Move your hands," he shouted, "and I'll blow a hole through your head big enough for a jack rabbit to jump through!"

"I appealed once more.

"Well," he answered, "keep your hands still and I'll scratch it for you."

"Did he scratch it?" asked one of Ben's interested listeners.

"Sure!" said Mr. Holladay.

"How?" asked the breathless listener.

"With the muzzle of the cocked gun!" said the great overlander. "He rubbed the muzzle around my mustache and raked it over the end of my nose until I thanked him and said that it itched no longer."

The robbers soon afterwards took their leave, with many apologies, and Ben continued his journey to the Missouri, with the big emerald and \$40,000.

### Logical Theory.

"You will observe," said the professor, "the higher the altitude attained the colder the temperature becomes."

"But isn't it warmer near the top of the mountains than it is in the valley?" asked the youth at the foot of the class.

"Certainly not," replied the professor. "Why do you think it would be?"

"Oh," answered the youngster, "I thought perhaps the atmosphere was heated by the mountain ranges."—Cincinnati Enquirer.



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