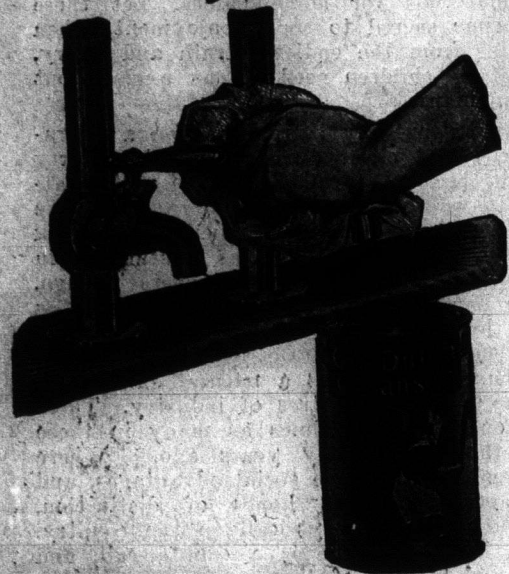


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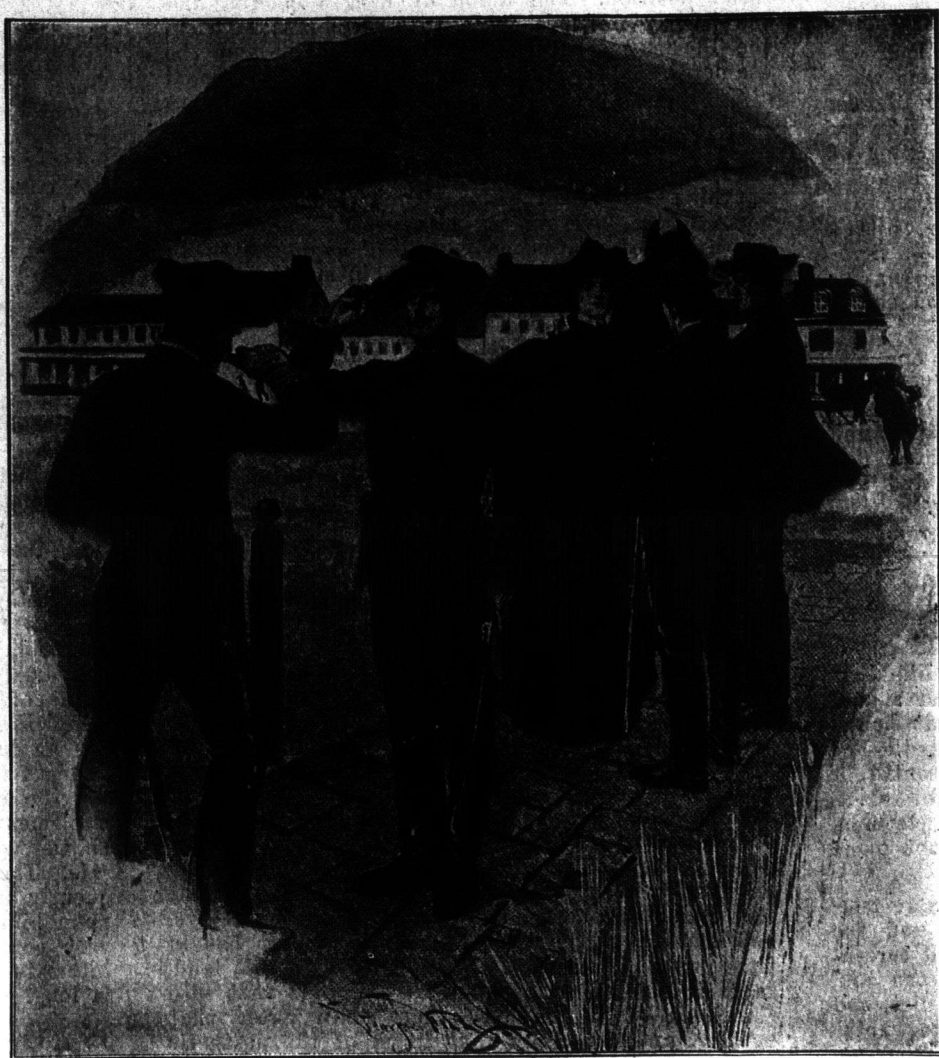
A Garrison Ghost.

By General Charles King.



SOME queer things happened at an old frontier army post the summer of '76 while all the cavalry of the garrison were out on the chase of the Sioux. It was a grewsome year—the year that Custer and his gallant men went down before the hordes of Sitting Bull and weeping women and children covered in many a fort all over the Western plains. But even under such conditions "love will find a way," and Fort Russell was at once enlivened by a romance and thrilled by a visitor from the spirit world. Somebody, without the courage to declare himself, had declared his love for a soldier's daughter. Somebody was writing letters, verses, and passionate appeals to the prettiest girl at the post

ing. The sun had sulked behind the snow-clouds, hovering thick over the Black Hills of Wyoming. A spiteful wind blew whistling out from the sombre depths of the Pass, and moaning about the ramshackle buildings and quarters of the old frontier fort. The prairie, townward, was swept clean of any covering save the thin blanket of bunch grass, but every little ditch or depression had its fleecy lining, and the flakes came swirling on the chill blast of the mountains, sending a shiver through the worn frame of many a trooper just in from the long, ill-starred campaign of '76. They had had to eat their horses to keep alive that summer and fall, and were not enraptured with Indian-chasing as they had found it, with Sitting Bull and Crazy Horse leading the huge hostile bands. They averaged nearly twenty pounds lighter to the man when they started forth so



Bob saluted his commanding officer and stood at attention.

—somebody who raved of noble birth and baronial estates, and a legend-haunted castle in the Rhineland to which he besought her to fly with him. In his present humble disguise, he wrote, he dared not reveal himself to her until, by openly wearing a certain knot of ribbon which he sent her, she gave him to know her heart was inclined to hear further. "A modern major-general" had her father been in the great war of the sixties, and his daughter would stoop to no such conquest; but all the more intense became the mysterious missives, picked up at various points along the row of officer's quarters, and faithfully brought to her by the finders. And finally, as the writer's hopes gave way to despair, pleas and protestations were followed by threats. Since she scorned his love, he could but die. Since she would not see him in the flesh, she should see him in the spirit. Nor bolt, nor lock could bar him from her bedside. That should be the reward of her cruelty, and, strange to say, Miss Thornton, who laughed at first, began to pale. There had been no place in her heart for anonymous admirers. It had gone to another. But the letters suddenly ceased. Then those queer things began to happen and strange stories were now afloat. There came a bleak November even-

buoyantly from this very point in early June. They were bidden to get home and recuperate—headquarters and six troops coming here to old Fort Russell. They thanked God when the trumpets sang "Dismount" at the stable, and their scarecrow steeds neighed an equine amen.

There were others looking on with less equanimity—officers, men, and some few women, members of a garrison now ordered to vacate and make room for the Fifth. Russell was a pet station, being near Cheyenne, the cars, and civilization. They, these others, had occupied it four long years and thought they owned it. They had been very civil to the Fifth when it pitched its tents on the prairie late in May, coming up from Kansas to help subjugate the Sioux. They little dreamed then that in less than six months the general would turn them out and the Fifth in; but he had, and here were the new tenants, gaunt, bearded, and hard as nails, officers and men looking for a place to lay their heads, while more than half of the outgoing families were still unpacked.

"Haven't you any unoccupied quarters?" demanded the major commanding, of the young post quartermaster. "It's five months since I've slept under a roof."

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