A PIPE LINE WATCHMANS FUN.

Encounters With Bears and Other Beast While on His Lonely Beat.

'Our pipe lines between the oil regions and seaboard refineries run for hundreds of miles through almost unbroken wildernesses in New York State and Pennsylvania,' said an employee of the Standard Oil Company's pipe line department, 'and we have linemen whose duty it is to walk over the line of sections to see that the pipe is in good condition and to make repairs to our private telegraph line following the course of the pipe line. One of the wildest sections is eighty miles in length. The wilderness and isolation of the country make it a favorite retreat for bears, wildcats, and other wild beasts, and we had to try a dcz n or more men on the job before we got one who had the nerve and courage to keep it more than one trip. At last we got an old hunter and woodsman mamed Smith, and the job suited him so well that he has held on to it now nearly ten years. Smith was a famous shot with the rife before he became a lineman and he was obliged to carry so many articles needed in his business that he was unable to make room for his rifle. He therefore bought a big revolver, and with it has kiled more than twenty bears, besides saveral deer and wildcats, during the time has been walking the line. It is seldom that he has had to hunt for his game, for it generally has happened that, duty or do duty.

SAVING THE FAMILY DIGNITY. he has had to hunt for his game, for it generally has happened that, duty or do duty, he has been compelled to tarry by the way to defand himself against the offersive tactics of bears and catamounts that resent his intrusion of their retreats. One of these occasions he especially likes to tell 'It was one day early in May. The old

lineman had reached the very heart of his wilderness junt, and was passing through a piece of timber where there was a dense growth of underbrush on either side of the line, as well as the remains of a great windfall, when he was suddenly confronted by an immense bear. As the animal was ugly and bent on fight there and then Smith knew that it was a she bear and that her cubs were not far away, hidden somewhere in the brush. When she first appeared the bear was not more than fifty feet away, and she came rapidly toward the lineman. The spot was greatly to his disadvantage for a bear fight, but Smith stood just about as poor a chance of getting away by running as he did by standing still and having it out with the bear The bear was so big and he avy-hided that Smith knew the force of his pistols bullets would have to be sent against her at close quarters to be effective, so he drew his revolver and waited for the bear to come as close as he thought it well to let her before firing. She came on in dead earnest When she was within twenty feet of him Smith fired. The shot struck her in the neck. She dropped, but was up again neck. She dropped, but was up again a most as quick as she was down, and tirned and went off into the brush. She walked around the lineman in a circle, a and of his horses and carriage by standing couple of rods away, howling and snapping her big jaws all the time.

'Among the articles carried by these pipe line walkers is a pair of spurs or climbers that telegraph repairers use in climbing the poles. While the inturiated bear was making her reconnoitering circuit in the making her reconnoitering circuit in the bushes. Smith hastily fastened his climbers about his ankles, intending to shin up a telegraph pole that stood a few paces distant. He knew that he would be out of danger there, and could bombard the bear with his pistol as long as she chose to besiege him, or until he could send a bullet into a vulnerable part of her body and drop her for good and all. He had no sooner fastened good and all. He had no sooner fastened the spurs to his boots than the bear made a second rush for him. Beli ving that he bear could get there, he made a dash for it. The bear pursued, and just as the line man grasped the pole the bear was upon him. S nith turned and fired two shots in quick succession at her. One of the bullets, at least, told with good effect, for the bear turned, uttering loud cries of pain, and shuffled off toward the brush again, shaking her hig head in evident pain as she went.

Smith thought that was a good time to climb the pole, and he started in to do it. climb the pole, and he started in to do it.

The bear had stopped at the edge of the
brush and looked back. She must have
divined the lineman's intention, for she
came tearing back at him. Pershing on the came tearing back at him. Persing on the crosspiece at the top of the telegraph pole Smith emptied his revolver at the bear as fumed at the foot of the pule. Some of the shots went home so far that the bear at shots went home so far that the bear at last gave up and went stumbling away into the woods, howling as she went, as far as Smith could hear her on her retreat. The lin-man had no time to tollow her although he was sure he had wounded her fatally. In this he was right. Next day two men who were trout fishing found the carcass of a big she bear on the edge of the creek, a mile or so from where Smith had the encounter, and the same day two bear cubs were captured in the same neighborhood. There were six bullet holes in the bear's body, and no one ever doubted that the body, and no one ever doubted that the bear was lineman Smith's.

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'Another day Smith encounterer a family of tour bears, two old ones and two cubs. They were sporting in a glade only a few rods from the pipe line. Having some spare time, the lineman thought he would approach nearer, the bears and see what effect a few of his pistol bullets would have

SAVING THE FAMILY DIGNITY.

The Church Wasn't Grand Enough for the

The wife of Judge Jeremiah Black is described by the Washington Post as a woman of great intellectual force and many womanly and Christian virtues, such an 'elect lady' as St. John the Evangelist glorifies in his epistle. While her husband was a member of the Cabinet she was a devoted helper in the Vermont Avenue Christian Church, a church then composed of a handful of earnest people.

The church was meeting in Temperance Hall, Judge Black's driver, Peter, sensitive for the honor of the family, or for that of his carriage, felt it to be something of a disgrace to stand before such a building on Sunday. One day he touched upon the subject as gently as he could by saying:

Mrs. Black, that aint a very fine church

vou and the judge go to.'

'No, Peter,' said the lady, 'it is not a very grand one.'

'Mrs. Black, do you 'spec' to 'ten i that

church every Sunday?'
'Yes, Peter, until they get a better one.'
'Well. Mrs. Black, I wanted to ax you somethin', though I don't much like to say

it, ma'am.'
'What is it, Peter P'
'Well, ma'am, I wanted to tell you de drivers of de other members of de Cabinet kinder makes fun of me 'bout standin' 'lore

at meetin-bouse, and I wanted to ax you it you hadn't no objection to let me drive down to dat fine Presbyterian church where de other big men go, and stand dere wid my carriage until your meetin' was out and den drive back for you and de judge, 'All girth Pater, it you'll be on time.' after that with the fine turnouts of the other Cabinet officers.

BORN.

Albert, June 18, to the wife of Capt. H. Wilbur, a daughter.

Truro, May 28, to the wife of J. D. McKay, a daughter.

Halifax, June 27, to the wife of J. M. Power, a daugnter. one 23, to the wife of E. M. Studd,

d ughter. Fenwick, N. S. June 8, to the wife of F. L. Smith, Elgin, N. B., June 10, to the wife of N. Leeman, twin sons.

Yarmouth, June 19, Holmes, a son.

Harmony N. S. Jone 24, to the wife of William Selig, a daughter. Smyrna Me. May 26 to the wife of H. Wilmer Rob-inson, a daughter.

Woodstock, June 16, to the wife of Dr. R. E. G. Smith, a daughter. West Caledonia, June 23, to the wife of John Armstrong, a daughter.

Tupperville, June 11, to the wife of Edward Messenger, a daughter.

Laketown, N. B., June 7, to the wife of Daniel Flanagan, a daughter. Easthampton N. Y. June 15, to the wife of Morley B Lowis, M. D., a son.

Pembroke Yarmouth N. S. June 15, to the wife of Gilbert Allen, a daughter. E. R. Island Shelburne Co, June 13, to the wife of Liewlyn Geddis, a daughter.

MARRIED.

Pictou, June 23, by Rev. J. W. Fraser, James Ellio to Annie Young. Truro, June 9, by Rev. R. Cumming, George D. Mills to Charlotte Chew.

Elmsdale, June 21, by Rev. J. Layton, Robert Wat son to Mingle Dalrymple.

menburg, June 13, by nev. J. H. Stuart, Anthon A. Knox to Martha Barty. ream, June 20, by Rev. 1. Long, Weldow nanel to Matilda Fowler.

Halifax, June 21, by Rev. Father Daly, William Adams to Mary M. Stokes. Oak Bay, June 23, by Rev. W. H. Morgan, Jan Webber to Eta McMurray, Halirax, June 28, by Rev. Father Moriarity, M. Carmichael to Miss Julian.

Annapolis, June 12, by B. v E. B. Moore, James A. Loveless to Maggie Foster. New Tusket, June 15, by Rev. H. A. Griffin, Thos. A. Smith to Mabel Mullen.

Coldbrook, June 16, by R. v. Leo Seeley to Gertrude Emery. Hastings C. B. June 22, by Rev. John Calder, Guy F. Scott to Mary J. ckinner.

Kempt, June 16, by Rev. F. G. Francis Hardy J. Freeman to Maria Kempton. New Glasgow, June 9, by Rev. F. A. Ross, Geo. Hogg to Annie M. Reyon is.

Saltspring, Pictou Co. by Rev. J. A. Bairns, John R. Young to Annie McLean
Ca'edonia, June 22, by Rev. E. C. Baker, George J. Farker to Annie E. Douglas. Farker to Annie E. Douglas.

Halifax, June 15. by R.v. H. H. Pitman, William
W. Hoyt to Eleator Lawlor.

Halifax, June 23. by Rev. W. E. Hall, Walter S.

Barratt to Jessie Northover.

West River, June 15, by Rev. J. R. Munro, John S. Kuk to Maud McDiarmid.

Moreton, June 24, by Rev. J. D. Murray, Fred M. Tennant to Sarah E. Strolach. Fall River, June 23, by Rev. A. Wh L. Peverille to Edith Hawkins.

New Glasgow, May 24, bv Rev. H. R. Grant, Peter Williams to Maggie Turnbull.
Coverdale, June 19, bv Rev. Jos. Crandall, Flora Weatherby to Alfred I. Doul. Annapolis, June 16, by Rev. H. How, Sydney Saunders to Jane McCullough.

Yarmouth, June 16, bv Rev. J. A. Foshay, Harry D. Barbour to Nellie R. Olive. Hantsport, June 23, by Rev. J. M. Fisher, George W. Davison to Mand Malcolm. Grand Manan. June 16, by Rev. O. S. Newsham. William Kent to Mabel Guptill.

Oak Bay, June 16 by Ray, W. H. Morgan, Geo. A. McCoulbery to M. E. Stanhope. Ellerhouse, June 18, b Rev. W Parker, Arthur Christie to Margaret Demmons. Annapolis, June 23, by Rsv. Mr. White, Fred Woodland to Gertrude Coombs.

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Turn, June 8, by Rev. H. F. Waring, Fred R.
Schurman to Leonora L. Fulton.
Certral Economy, June 16, by Rev. Mr. Bleasdale,
Ernest Smith to Georgie Moore. Truro, June 16 by R. v A. L. Geggie, Robert H. Phinney to Effi A. Cruikshank.

John, June 16. by Rev. J. Read, George W. Babbit to Annie M. McLaughlin. ston, June 2. by Rev. Sec. Perrin, John A. Thomas to Margaret Greenwood. Granton, Pictou Ca., June 22, by Rev. B. Cumming Wm. P. Tanner to Bessie English.

French Village, June 23, by Rev. T. Dickinson Wm John Giggey to Mathida Hill Willamedel, June 23 by Rev. W. Nightingale, Cluster Stoneheuse to Annie Ripley. saac's Harbor, June 14, by Rev. A. J. Vincent I saac Davidson to Laura Davidson.

Great Village, June '6 by Rev. O. N. Chipman, John McDonald to Lizzie Chipman. Baltic, P. E. I. June 16, by Rev. J. M. Fisher, George G. Henry to Janet Caseley. Point de But., June 23, by Rev. D. A. Steele, George E. Freeman to Clara Tingley. New Glasgow. May 27, by Rev. H. R. Grant, Don J. McDonald to Helen J. Baxter.

vrencetowo. June 21. by Rev. J. H. Toole, J. Elvin Schaffner to Winnitred Durling. mont, N. S., June 16, by R.v. H. H. Saunders, Malcolm S. Parker to Bianch Brennau. Millstream, K. Co. June 25. by Rev. D. Long, George M. Mason to Cha-lotte Brown. Pott Morien, C. B. June 17, by Rev. Wm. Grant, Thomas McKinnon to Jennie McAskill.

Berwick, N S. Jun-19, by Rev. D. F. Sir Doctor Howard Snaw to Mattie Brown Springfield, June 24, by Rev. A. J. Creswell, Charles W. Smith to Margaret C. Skuse.

Port Medway, June 16, by Rev T. H. Siddall, Leonard Clattenburg to Marion Johnson. Hebron, N. S. June 14, by Rev. F. W. Desbarr Charles H. McKinnon to Lizzle Redding.

St John, 24, Kate A. Vaughan, 54

DIED.

Westville, May 29, John Carrigan, 64. St. John, June 25, Charles Hamilton, 56. Brooklyn, N. S., May 29, John Carry, 78. St. John, June 24, Mrs. Robert Bustin, 55. Lynn Mass., June 18, Lyman R. Pa ten, 29. Stellarton, N. S., June 10, William Betts, 79. Stellarton, N. S., June 10, William Betts, 19.
Tatamsgouche, June 14, William Langille, 52.
P.cton, June 18, James McG. Siewart, Q. C. 44.
North Sydney, June 18, Capt. James Lawley, 86.
North Syney, June 21, Leonard Camello Roper, 20.
Picton, June 11, Margaret, wife of J. D. S. Murray, Mayfield Antigonish Co., June 10, Patrick D. uhan, Narrows, N. B., June 21, Margaret, wife of Henry Todd. 76. Lawrencetown, N. S. June 10, Mrs. W. A. Brad-shaw, 43. Newdy Quaddy. N. S., June 14, Mrs. Mary Harthing, 92. Hamilton, P. E. I., May 30 Jane, widow of Charles Easten, 80. daughter.

Westville, June 14, to the wife of Angus Smith, a daughter.

Westville, June 13, Nora, daughter of William Young, 25. Yarmouth, June 16, Hannah A., widow of Capt. A. St. Join, June 17, Irene, child of Mr. and Mrs Frank Whetsel. Northeast, Harbor Me., June 7, Annie wife of James H. Fait 29 Wickham, O county, June 20, Maranda, widow of D. J. Whelpley 72. Yarmouth June 12, Catherine M., widow of William D. Lovette, 63. Melrose Highland, Mass., June 17, Maud C. R. wife of A. M. Prior. Whe of A. M. Prior.
Lindsay, Picton Co., June 19, Eliz J. daughter of Daniel Cameron, 24.
Kentville, June 18, Sophie G. child of Mr. and Mrs. Morris Margeson. ncton, Jnne 25, William C., son of Mr. and Mrs. John LeLacheur, 5 months. Isauc's Harbor, May 27, Spencer, child of Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Mc Millan, 7 weeks.

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