

time after the first greetings. At length: "Nell had a great race that night, Will," said Lizzie.

"Yes; didn't want anyone to hold her head that time," replied Bill.

"Oh, I think Nell's a good obedient horse and wouldn't do anything mean."

"I think I'd like to have somebody along in case, though." Bill trembled as he spoke.

Lizzie was silent.

"Lizzie."

"Yes, Will."

"Will you come?"

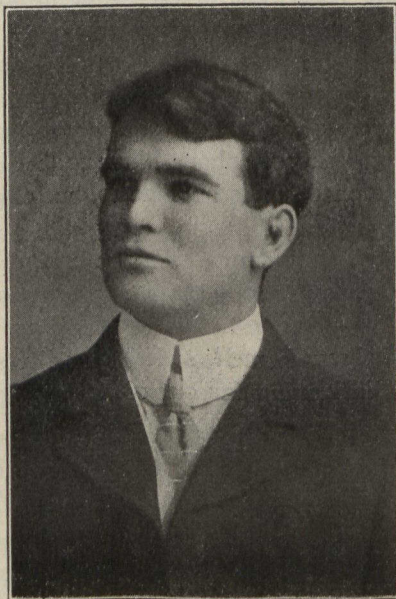
Bill had risen from his chair now.

"Yes, Will."

"For always?"

"Yes, Will."

—GEORGE TELFORD.



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