

A WILD NIGHT AT WOOD RIVER.

A Thrilling Tale of Early Days on the Union Pacific.

'Keep that kid quiet,' said Bankers in a hoarse whisper. 'I'm doing the best I can,' said his wife, trying to hush the little one, who was sobbing and moaning in her lap.

The rain came in great sheets and with such force that it seemed that the car could hardly hold the rail. It was not a Pullman car; just a common red stock car standing on a siding, with a few armfuls of straw upon the floor.

'There they are,' whispered Bankers. Now the women put their eyes to a crack, and when a flash came they could see a reef of feathered heads that formed a half circle around the house, like a feather band about a woman's neck.

Having emptied his rifle, the agent now took up a pair of 45 caliber revolvers, and the lead fairly rattled against the door, and no fewer than a half dozen savages sank to the platform, causing the besiegers to fall back a space.

The other two Indians had given up the search among the empty cars and gone back to the station, where the agent, having reloaded all his guns, kept the gang hopping and dancing about the station platform.

'You see that tall gray-haired man?' said a hotel proprietor, indicating a man wearing a sombrero, who was walking up and down. 'Yes, the one with the scar across his face. I was on a coach in Nevada once when he stepped out of the bush and lined it up. Now he's a prosperous farmer down in San Diego county.'

'I was living in Nevada at the time. The number of highwaymen there then was surprising. One of my friends was a stage robber, but I never found it out until he was killed in the act of holding up a stage. He lived next door to me, and was a model man, so far as was known.'

people know that he would return to the old business, so they sent for him. 'Looking for a job?' asked the superintendent. 'I am,' said Waterman. 'Tired of the old game?' asked the official. 'I don't know as I am, Waterman replied, laughing.

'It's a risky business,' said the Wells Fargo man. 'I never found it so, particularly,' said the hold-up man. 'Well, how would you like a steady job?' asked the other.

'That's what I'm looking for,' said Waterman. And the long and short of it was that the express company engaged him at a good salary to retire, just do anything except hold up their stages.

'The plan worked well so far as he was concerned, and was not very expensive, for his former pal thought he was an informer, and one of them soon picked a quarrel with him, and killed him.

'But there were others to take his place in the field, and the hold-ups continued just the same. One of the robbers was Jack Davis, who was a hail-fellow well-met with every one in Virginia City, and for a long time he was not suspected.

'The Virginia and Truckee Railroad finally reached town, and gold was shipped on the cars. But it was evidently an easy matter to hold up a train, and one night the engineer found a muzzie at his car, and was told to slow down at a certain spot, which he did.

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'Among the stock cars, if they are still alive,' was the reply which came in a faint whisper. 'I saw them leaving the house at dusk. Go to them—I'm—I'm all right.' And the conductor, having placed the wounded man upon his bed, made for the stock cars.

ican. They are piled one on top of another like bricks. Thirty thousand sheep carcasses may be stored and the new rooms now building will increase the capacity to 100,000 sheep.

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The midwinter steamers from Cape Colony and Australia are quite certain to bring many fresh grapes which are placed in the cold rooms until they are wanted. Just as refrigeration has lengthened the killing season at Chicago to twelve months a year so it has also made it possible to enjoy fresh grapes, peaches and other fruit the year round by bringing them from one or another part of the world; for somewhere or another they are always ripening.

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'The possibilities of refrigerating processes seem to be endless. These processes are influencing more and more the methods of trade in perishable goods. Butchers and poultrymen are no longer afraid to buy in large quantities. If they have a surplus stock on hand they have only to put it in cold storage to await a demand.

'Wholesale meat dealers are not afraid that they will lose their investment if they bring to market a shipment of meat at a time. It is asserted in England that the quality of Canadian turkeys and fowls is actually improved by the lapses of considerable time between killing and marketing.

'The greatest development of cold storage is in Great Britain, because so many million dollars worth of the meat supply is brought thousands of miles from America and Australia. Vast quantities are sometimes received within a few weeks and placed in cold storage till needed for the market. In Birmingham, for example, as one of the local newspapers asserts, over a million persons are now regularly supplied with food from the city markets. The cold storage plant established thirteen years ago is large and additional works are building.

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Francis Neal, Joseph Delaney to Elizabeth Anderson, N. B., Feb 4, Andrew Doyle to Mary McDonnell, King, Jan 22, Wm Bent to Ella O'Neil. Higgins, Jan 22, Levi Rodden to Maudie Burdick. G. Bay, Feb 4, Frederick Webb to Kate McKim. Nera Sydney, Jan 22, Arthur Hickey to Ethel Paul.

Fourche, C. B., Jan 22, Gibson Severance to Lizzie Albert. Antigonish, Feb 8, Donald Carther to Marie MacDugal. Little Bras D'Or, Feb 4, Servin Guthrie to Nell Giffin. Fredericton, Jan 20, Arthur Irvine to Maudie Shanks. River John, N. S., Newton Langille to Gertrude Murphy.

Grand Etang, Jan 22, Sylvia LeBlanc to Annie LeBlanc. Amherst, Jan 21, James Tremblin to Rebecca Brownell. Cole Harbor, Jan 20, Laura Hennesberry, to Stanley Ebbey. Lunenburg, N. S., Jan 20, Enos Fehlicover to Edna Schmeisser.

Chatham, Jan 20, Robert W. Calvey to Lena May Burritt. West Falmouth, Jan 20, Arthur LeBlanc to Louise D'Entremont. East Margaree, C. F., Jan 20, Elias Cormier to Zella Ant-Lin.

Bathurst, on Monday Jan 14, Miss H. Smith, to Joseph Burbridge. South Side, Cape Island, Feb 2, Ernest Nickerson to Emma Coleford.

Halifax, Feb 3, John Giles, 64. Halifax, Feb 4, James Allen, 43. Halifax, Feb 4, Wm F. Power, 29. Halifax, Mrs Margaret Grass, 77. Halifax, Feb 2, John L. Paine, 61. Halifax, Feb 2, Mary F. Doyle, 40. Amherst, Feb 1, Ira Patterson, 62. Barr, Jan 18, Charlotte Mayo, 62. Sydney, Jan 12, Daniel McNeil, 41. Boston, Feb 6, Charles W. Bird, 28. Queens, Feb 4, Mrs Frank Mate, 28. Sydney, Feb 3, Mary A. McGregor, 16. Truro, Feb 3, Zeno McGrover, 77. Truro, Feb 3, R. buca D. Lewis, 21. New Canada, Feb 1, Burton Brown, 21. Moncton, Feb 6, Dr George Dunlop, 45. Marshallsburg, Feb 6, John Conner, 76. Greenwick, N. S. Jan 31, Elias Calkin, 88. Berwick, Feb 5, Miss Eunice White, 71. Victoria, B. C. Jan 24, Andrew G. Hay, 43. Springdale, Jan 28, Allan J. Cameron, 52. Hopewell Hill, Feb 3, Eleanor Rogers, 50. Upper Stewiacke, Feb 4, James C. C. 79. Bath, Me., Jan 27, Thomas Livingstone, 63. Medford, N. S. Jan 16, Levette L. Sanford, 25. Falmouth, N. S. Jan 27, Joan McInnis, 12. Sheet Harbor, Feb 4, James W. Quilliam, 19. Bruce Mills, N. S. Feb 1, Angus Inverness, 67. Clipman, Jan 28, Angus H. McLean, 2 months. Conquerer, N. S. Jan 31, Margaret McNeil, 62. Indian Reservoir, Truro, Feb 3, Flora Francis, 17. Barrington Passage, Jan 30, Mrs R. K. Hitchcock, 59. Sh. B., Queens Co., Jan 15, Joseph Horrobb, 60. Little River, Cole. Enrie, Jan 18, Peter Ogilvie, 33. South Newson, Feb 3, Annie, wife of Peter Stapleton, 35. Aulicton, Mass., Feb 3, Edith F. wife of Everett Cooke.

Halifax, Feb 8, L. Labella, widow of the late R. B. Nelson. Chelsea, Mass., Jan 29, Louise, wife of E. H. De Wolf, 41. Yarmouth, Feb 1, infant son of Capt and Mrs Art. Burbridge. South Foston, Jan 24, Mary J. widow of the late Wesley Wheelock, 70. Dartmouth, Feb 3, Lella Gertrude, daughter of Mr and Mrs Wm. Lott, 17. Crowe's Mills, Colchester, Jan 24, Sarah, widow of the late John Brudwick, 87. Fort Williams, Jan 28, Donald Seymour, infant son of Mr and Mrs H. L. Bates, 1 month. Crowe's Mills, Colchester, Jan 12, Letitia J. infant child of Mr and Mrs John Rodde, 12 days.

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BORN. Sydney, Jan. 31, to the wife of John Young, a son. Yarmouth, Feb. 1, to the wife of E. Pendrick, a son. Truro, Feb. 4, to the wife of E. Hasbenger, a son. Wolfville, Jan. 27, to the wife of W. Ford, a daughter. Guinac, Feb. 5, to the wife of Ambrose Walker, a son. St. Louis, Jan. 28, to the wife of Herbert Stuart, a son. North Sydney, Feb. 6, to the wife of James Gowan, a son. Millville Mines, Feb. 3, to the wife of B. Boliver, a son. Beverley, Dec. 9, to the wife of Lewis Wood, twin boys. North Sydney, Feb. 5, to the wife of W. Christie, a daughter. Amherst, Feb. 2, to the wife of Ralph Trotter, a daughter. Colchester, Jan. 29, to the wife of A. Staples, a daughter. Summerville, Feb. 1, to the wife of Capt. Card, a daughter. Economy Point, Jan. 17, to the wife of H. Brown, a daughter. Pembroke, Feb. 5, to the wife of Geo. Bain, a daughter. Roxbury, Feb. 3, to the wife of George Trilob, a daughter. Glenwood, Feb. 2, to the wife of F. Whitman, a daughter. Mount Pleasant, Jan. 20, to the wife of Richey Tat, a son. Ingran River, Feb. 3, to the wife of Robert Taggart, a son. Summerville, Jan. 31, to the wife of Otis Vaughan, a daughter. Ingran River, Jan. 25, to the wife of Norman Kennedy, a son. Ingran River, Jan. 25, to the wife of Rand Gibson, a son. Barachois, Shediac, Jan. 11, to the wife of Zoel Viennet, a son. Clark's Harbor, Feb. 3, to the wife of Capt. Bran, son, a daughter. Dayspring, Jan. 31, to the wife of Edmund Mullock, a daughter.

MARRIED. Hants, Hugh Fraser to Johanna Kooban. Vermont, Feb 6, Peter Faris, to Annie Anslow. Windsor, Jan 24, Harris Smith to Annie Anslow. Digby, Feb 6, Jesse Lee Haight to Emily Foster. Sheet Harbor, Jan 30, E. Anderson to E. Coady. Grand Etang, Felix LeBlanc to Mathilda Cormier. Grand Etang, Simson Gaudet to Ellen Chanson. Shelburne Co, Jan 30, L. A. Coffin to Sarah King. Pictou, Feb 2, Daniel Robertson to Bessie Fraser.

TRAINS WILL ARRIVE AT ST. JOHN. Express from Sussex and Montreal. 8.20. Express from Quebec and Montreal. 12.40. Express from Halifax, Pictou and Falmouth. 15.00. Express from Sussex. 15.40. Express for Quebec and Montreal. 17.05. Accommodation from Halifax and Sydney. 22.15. A sleeping car will be attached to the train leaving St. John at 17.05 o'clock for Quebec and Montreal. Passengers transfer at Montreal. A sleeping car will be attached to the train leaving St. John at 22.15 o'clock for Halifax. Vestibule, Dining and Sleeping cars on the Quebec and Montreal express.

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VOL. XI. GROCERIES. Accounts. The accounts appear to be in a state of confusion. Now the City Carleton had a statement that they yet for their services. It was understood, that the picnic had paid beyond and would be able to sum to one or two in the eyes of the former picnic to the park and in that popular Grocers' Drive. The attendance was so large and proportion so many, that those who were in having a surplus matter. They had hundred dollars after all the expenses it seems instead of Grocers' Association is concerned, in that there are paid to the hundred dollars frankly makes it paid out all the money and is very difficult to settle the affairs of the picnic. The responsibility of three persons did not show the forward to account the department control. This is a defect upon them the staid merchant to the enterprise, and who did all the account about ago and the people what surplus stop occasion. Mr. McPherson the band committee sibility for the rvice. He says receipts have not the refreshment and in one or those who sold ment which Pr but it is patched makes it. Mr. J. S. A states that he has he has received have repeatedly the grocers to settle the picnic. The been held. The handed in, and that it is a there should be agreeable out pleasant and re.

POLICE FORCE. The annual report suggest that the and recent events siderable extent tainly justified. On the Water which is perhaps worst, there are times patrolling in the station. ers on the west to the city, som character as t times. Cattle men not considered and those who exception to the every case pow.