## Was Not His Father's Son

The tones of the elder man's voice Sevier canyon. Let's see; we can be ceased, and to John Ringwood, on them in half an hour."

Standing before him, it seemed that "Take the short cut through the the whole world was suddenly en-|canyon; dad, and we can be at 'en reloped in a mist of red shame. in twenty-five minutes." When Ringwood spoke, his accents "No," said his father decisively, were curiously quiet and constrained, for was he not addressing Molly's at full speed means almost certain

asked so hopefully for the girl's hand—"and so, sir, this is your ob-lection to me—because my father was guest.

"Blood tells," returned Henry Morris hoarsely. "But remember, lad, I would never have forced this painful knowledge of mine on you if Ringwood's bitter revenge for the you had not compelled me to say stinging brand put on him. The Your father's shame, known only to you and me, would have slept with presently father and son swung into of extravagance found himself at last

"That will do," said Ringwood hose who go before. But that is with incredible swiftness. dle. There is one thing-when I am asked for her hand, but that there shall not think I was making summer

"Very well," said the elder man irl would interest herself in the first good looking stranger thrown at my gates by a broken ankle I would have taken preventive measures long

"I will take the stage tomorrow," pursued Ringwood. "Until then I must trespass on your hospitality." 'And welcome," said Morris heartily. "You've met what I said like a man. Here's my hand."

"Is that necessary," returned the other briefly. "You may as well avoid contamination when you have

Morris left the taunt unanswered, and just then the library door swung ppen, and a curly haired boy of sixeen pushed in with spoiled freedom.
"Everything's gone to sleep on the ranch," he said pettishly. "When's Markham and Molly coming home?"

"Your brother said he would bring your sister home by 8 o'clock," returned Morris.

"Gracious! I hope he will," said the boy. But she said they might cut across to Denham's. She wanted to see old Aunt Hannah or some such nonsense. I told her she was going after one of Hannah's love charms, and she turned as red as you

'Try to talk sense," said his fathest window and stood watching the sunset fires die to an ashen

So rose the fire of my hopes," he thought. "Like this, it died in hit-ter ashes-flung to my father's level!

The son, O God, of—a coward!"

Eight o'clock came, but neither the elder son nor Molly Morris had returned. At 9 a negro groom brought a note saying they would sleep that night at the Denhams', some fifteen miles away. A thrill half anguish, half relief, shot through Ringwood. Best, indeed, that they should never meet again. He would take the

stage early next morning.

Then on the heels of the negro stumbled in Lee Hung, the cook, who had been granted an afternoon off. Blanched to the palest of yellows, he stammered out a tale in his almost incomprehensible lingo which, translated, ran as follows :

Coming home on foot, he was aware of a tiny fire at the foot of Sevier's canyon. Inspired by ancestral deities, he had crept up to overhear the strangers converse, Deeloped they had learned of Markham Morris' deposit that day with the express agent at Ravenshood; that they resolved that this money would circulate better at home and would circulate better at nome and had shot the unfortunate express agent through his window, dead men being proverbially close mouthed had seized the packet, which waited the midnight express, and now only tar-

ried the rising of the moon.

Young Morris went white with rage and despair. That package stood between his tamily and financial ruin. His eyes flashed.

"Of course we'll get it back, dad,

"Yes, lad. Lee Hung, how many

"Four. I'm sorry your brother isn't here, Stanley. You are a bit

"No," said his father decisively

death. Quick, Lee Hung, and you. boy," to the negro, "saddle Prince vaguely if he were the same John and Firebrand. Stanley, help me gwood who ten minutes ago had get the pistols and a rifle for each. Only two horses ! Young Morris Was that dogged indifference a-a coward"-the word came out real? Of course nothing was expected from Lee or the negro, but this handsome Saxon with frank, gray eyes-could he fail them in such

But Morris understood. This was why I could not trust me girl to you. former checked Stanley when he would have addressed Ringwood, and nim in his grave but-you would their saddles and galloped down the in the bankruptcy court and was se-

As they vanished in the faint light "I am my father's son, as Ringwood rushed for the barn, you say. There is no chance here, or loosening his pistols in his belt as he first find yourself in trouble?" asked might prove to you that God does ran. The two servants watched him the judge. not always make us mere copies of scornfully as he saddled his gray

"Marse Ringwood scared de fight gone tell Molly that I loved her, that run down dis way," muttered Sam. "He des nuttin' but trash, to' all he was a-a barrier between us. She so good lookin'. Gord A'mighty, I it. At what precise time did your wish all de boys wasn't gone! Whar troubles begin?" ebberybody, Lee ?"

"Allee samee time off 'cept hunt hills," was the brief return, which grimly. "But if I had known the meant that some of the men had an some refractory cattle in the hills. "Marse Ringwood gone like de

debble after him," growled Sam. And indeed the gray was flying at terrible speed.

The far, dim starlight sifted reuctantly down, and the horse's feet reached the ground more by instinct rupt's opinion -- London Telegraph. than sight. Ringwood bent over his ieck, jockey fashion. For a scant wo miles they kept to a badly marked road, then before them vawned the mouth of Sevier canyon, the broken trail merely a gray pencil mark among jagged bowlders and treacherous wave washed stones, rounded by old world floods.

A second the gray hysitated, and in that second Ringy/ood distinctly heard again Morris'

speed means almost certain death !" ed in his soul like flanks, and the gray h. generous an- the party, or the king ?" ger plunged down the carvon way at All were silent pondering on the top speed, every beat of his steel ethics and morals of the question. shod hoofs striking fire from the No one ventured to offer a solution rocks. Now they crossed a bed of of the difficulty. The continued silclay worn slimily smooth by the soft ence began to be embarrassing, when lapping of the low stream, and here a young American woman relieved a goat might have fallen and taken the situation by proposing: no shame to himself, but the gray "Why not let God save the King?" er irritably, and Ringwood crossed had that superb and rare quality -New York Times. which carries through everything; he believed in himself. Presently nineenths of the canyon were behind them, though the frowning walls yet hung above. Once a panther hissed like an infuriated cat in their way, sides and mouthed resentfully after them, dragging behind her a tail

But now open woods, the canyon was in the rear, and before Ringwood a tiny fire, with a crude half tent hugging it, and in its shelter four men. Thanks to the half mile of soft earth between them and the canyon, thanks to a quarrel already, bred among them, they did not hear Ringwood until he was bearing down

upon them, not fifty yards away.

It might be a harmless passing almost forgo stranger, and they did not care for the noise of a fusillade just now.

The answer came clearly on the wind: "D-n you! Throw up your hands 1" a command they thought unnecessary, as their hands were up and their rifles in them. They answered with a fourfold volley of shots. In the next instant the gray was on them, and in the chaos that ensued Ringwood was only conscious that he got in several shots, that the butt of his pistol had proved quite useful, that two forms had clung to his knees and had gone down, that the badly scattered fire was catching

the edge of the tent, and then he and the gray went down in their turn together, Ringwood oddly thankfel, in spite of the fact that sparks (peraps from the tent fire) swam before his eyes, that the nearest robber nade a soft cushion. Then fire and sparks went out blackly.

When light came again, the moon to Dawson.

while his own reeked of the whiskey sed to bathe his forehead and tem ples. A sigh of relief hailed his

"Thank God !" sobbed Stanley 'I thought he was gone! And after settling the four of them !"

"No, only stunned," returned their patient, rising obstinately to his leet, but glad to cling to the nearest saddle to steady himself, the earth whirled round so strangely: "I am all right, Mr. Morris. Don't trouble yourself any further by coddling-the son of a coward."

Stanley stared, then said nervous-

"By jove, he's off his head !" But his father answered by taking the tall figure in his arms.

"Lad." he said brokenly "I've learned my lesson. A man is just himself, after all-not his father or his grandfather-and I'm hoping my boys may be cowards some day like

#### Unfelt Troubles

A gentleman given to the habits verely questioned by the presiding

"At what precise date did you

"I beg your pardon. I do not understand," replied the gentleman, with a puzzled air.

"The question is a very simple one." (Sharply.) "Please answer

With an air of the utmost perplexity the gentleman gazed around the court until his wandering eyes fell upon the anxious countenances of his afternoon and the rest were after creditors; then, with a genial wave of his hand, in their direction, he said pleasantly

"Oh, you must mean these gentlemen's troubles. I can't say I've had any myself."

And, on thinking the matter over the judge agreed with the bank-

#### The Ladies, or the King

At a dinner on the yacht of a prominent member of New York society an Englishman, who was present on Sir Thomas Lipton's yacht when he was entertaining King Edward, was discussing the accident which on that ccasion seriously threatened the lives of all on board.

"People little knew," he said, 'how nearly England came to losing "To ride through that trail at her King. It would have been im possible had it come to the worst to And he exulted that the words flow- have saved all, and if it had become wine. Then he necessary to make a choice, whom lrove the rowels on his horse's should we have saved, the ladies of

### Historic Island

Roanoke Island, N.C., is the spot where the first English speaking people landed within the boundaries of the United States in 1584. The peobut the oncoming might of the two ple who settled there had been sent in the welcome home which President daunted her, and she fled ignomini- over by Sir Walter Raleigh and they Loubet received at Dunkirk on his ously to the recesses of the cliff sent back such glowing accounts and return from his visit to Russia, reattractive maps that in 1585 and ports the Westminster Gazette. The 1587 the colony largely increased. It fishwives, dressed in their best holi-Virginia Dare was born. She ought or and ornaments, presented Mr. to have a monument, says Senator Loubet with a silver model of a wants congress to appropriate \$25,-000 for this purpose. He also introduced a resolution asking congress to appropriate \$50,000 to aid the North Carolina people in an exposition which is to be held next July and which is to be held next July and rule, women of strong character.

August in celebration of the landing They have much trouble in their Then they acted in unison. Four on Roanoke island. At this expos-rifles were cocked, a challenge rang ition there is to be a remarkable display of ancient manuscripts, relies, curios, etc., which will illustrate an almost forgotten chapter in Ameri-

### Fatal Shooting

Galena, Or., July 14. - "You wouldn't hurt anybody," sneered William Johnson, as James Crisman entered the door of J. R. Conger's saloon with a 45-Colt's in his hand. Instantly Crisman shot him through the heart and fled to escape mob violence. The murderer surrendered to the Canyon City Sheriff and alleges self-defense.

Galena is a Grant county mining town. Johnson had beaten Crisman in a fight and the men were enemies. Crisman insuited Johnson when they next met in a saloon and a quarrel ensued, Crisman getting his gun with the above result.

Crisman is in the Canyon City jail and will be examined July 21. Johnson was aged 25 and unmarried.

The Nugget's stock of job printing materials is the best that ever came

Seattle, July 16. - News reached here yesterday from Port Angeles, past eight years the Mazamas have again. The tailog which is not at all of a reassuring made annual pilgrimages to the fanature to those who have purchased oil-bearing land in Classam and the mountain climbers will ascend to wretched job. defferson counties.

ear since on the strength of wells steamer for White Salmon, Wash, though it were made to sunk by the Olympic company at The next division will leave this Capellas Point, oear Gray's Harbor, evening, joining the advance corps at obviously intended and another well at LaPush in Clall- Trout lake. By Friday all arrange around the belt. am county. About 100,000 acres of ments will have been completed and land were staked up under the min- the climb upward as far as the timeral act, as it was alleged that the ber line will have been made. On and had surface showings which in- Saturday the final climb to the snow dicated that it contained petroleum. capped peak will be made. Mount A great deal of this land was sold Adams is 12,470 feet high and the in Seattle on the strength of the view from its top is said to be magalleged oil indications and it is feared that a number of persons have been victimized. The land so taken line. On Monday, July 21, the Mount up was withdrawn from entry for agricultural and other purposes.

The residents of Jefferson and Clallam counties objected to this as nothing tangible has been done by the parties who took it up in the way of evelopment by means of wells, and because it is doubted if most of the land is oil bearing.

The result has been that about special agent of the land departnent, was sent out from Washing ton, D. C., by the land department to investigate. He has had the assistance of a corps of mineral experts and the investigation has been thorough and complete. It is reported that as a result of the investigation that a report will be sent to Washington in favor of the cancellation of more that 60,000 acres of the 100,000 taken up as oilbearing

try as agricultural and timber land.

#### Their Relationship

There are some queer couples in the world, remarked an estate agent recently. The other day a man and a woman called to see me about renting a house. The woman did all the talking and turned to the man for confirmation or corroboration. He always agreed with her, and did it very meekly.

"Well," said the woman, "I'll give you \$25 for the house. Won't we;

John-Yes "And I'll pay the rent promptly, too; won't we John ?" "Yes"

"And I'll take good care of the nouse; won't we John?" "Yes."

"And I'll take it for three years; wan't we, John ?"

"But," I inquired, as is usual in such cases, "are you man and wife?" "Man and wife," exclaimed the woman sharply. "Indeed, we are not; are we, John ?"

"No, my dear." "What ?" said I. "Not man and

"Not much." she retorted "I'd have you know, too, that in this

so, isn't it John ?" And John meekly agreed.-Boston Advertiser

Loubet Honored by Fishwives.

There was a very pretty inciden was at Roanoke island in 1587 that day clothes, and brilliant with col-Simmons, of North Carolina, and he fishing boat, the Saint Marie, and a bouquet. And the good fishwives of Dunkirk carried out the charming little ceremony with pictures and grace. The wives of fishe are always interesting, and, as a lives, but they do not altogether ex-emplify what Charles Kingsley wrote in his "Three Fishers": For men must work and women must

> When the men have brought in the fish the women do the rest of the work in the market, whilst the man have their rest and relaxation. Then, when the time comes for the boats to go out again, Madame fetches her menfolk out and puts them on board, waving them farewell from the end of the pier as they go sailing by. Fishwives in many places distinctive gard and in Boulogne, for instance, there is no more picturesque sight to be seen than when they put on their gala

### Pleads Not Guilty.

Seattle, July 21. - The trial of Paul Underwood for the murder of his baby last month has been set for Saturday, September 20th. He has been artaigned and plead "not guilty." His attorneys are making a hard fight for the young man but he seems to be very little concerned about the result of the trickless. bout the result of the trial.

#### Mazamas' Trip.

.Portland, Ore., July 15 .- For the mous peaks of Oregon, but this year He does not know the summit of Mount Adams. At 7 There was considerable excitement o'clock yesterday morning the first oncerning these oil lands about a division of the club left Portland by nificent. The day following the climb the Mazamas will rest at the timber Adams ice caves will be explored. The homeward trip will be commenced on Wednesday, July 23.

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try them on again.

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> Saturday' Nigh Glove Contest

Belongs in Pugilistic earten Circles-Was Tor for Burley.

lleged glove contest at thing in its line n a ping pong paddle lat. Martin may be ntertainment at schoolhouse stand but when he essay on audience from ga larger contract than

lasted only one ds and even du rley merely played 'Cleveland. When to take a look at igh to count the en first knocked Martin d made a survey while

present were heard to hat Martin was a clean fi fighter who never touch with more force than w a mosquito to cease proa moment can not be clean fighter. Martin sh to the land of the Lilips re he could possibly stay ratory to the short

round go and said he had up as a forfeit. Burle the challenge, but the ge r as he has no more b Burley than had "Joey"

A Wild West Show

ia. Col., July 14.- A y that the Denver & Rio G and robbed by several me ent's, west of Marshall Pa e robbery occurred at ock today at Chester, Col., west of Denver. The er ompelled, at the point of t, to stop the train by m ho had climbed over the

safes in the express car open, but it is claimed b of the Rio Grande 'E w that the robbers fail any plunder from the from the cars and lif e the tracks in the ca were relieved of their leables. Many of the threw away their in and jewelry among the robbers dearched re many tourists M it is presumed that some were heavy, tain was the west-bound

last night. It is not a any passengers were ab cars, as usual at this set if filled

oge passenger train which

mountainous country as Marshall Pass on the and the robbers, of the four, escaped into

Polig" After Judg July 21 -- Josep was fined by stempt of court of on at Skagway. H. Peterson, a Seattle, filed padge for malicion tency. Moore says ted in a tax case and appealing it. language. He was a

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