

siness, or it may be, the love of adventure, that has ever been and althe Anglo-Saxon constitution.

any appreciable advantage, while many of their men were placed hors de combat by encounters with the strength. missiles so energetically driven down upon their heads by those entrenched it seemed as though the black whelps sprang up in almost every quarter-above. Bludsoe was inclined to believe the

impis were gathering for a grand ashiding-places along the walls in each sault all along the line, when the previous assault, acting upon orders, heights would be stormed in every available quarter by eager fanatics grand signal that meant business. to whom death had little terror Through the defile they came in a since the incantations of the witch- dense mass, those behind pushing the doctor had promised a quick passage 'wretches in the van, to be presently to Paradise on the part of those who treated to a dose of their own medi-

In this particular the Matabele and their cousins are not unlike the Mohammedans, a part of whose belief slaughter pen, for men went under it is that to fall in battle is the like ripe grain. Still those behind upon that field. most glorious fate allotted to man pushed on trampling upon the bodies below, since those who die thus are of their comrades. favorites of the Prophet, heing im-mediately transported to rest in his shields all mingled in the greatest Men, weapons and great ox-hide last gasp.

bosom in the beautiful gardens where confusion, but those who had not yet perpetual fountains play and all is tasted death advanced like so many Numerous little things gave Jim . It was a cruel business, but those

this idea, and his training told him who were above had nerved themto beware of the hour before dawn. | selves for anything, and so long as | there mourning followed. Strange that the instinct of savag- the sharp-pointed missiles held out

es the world over teaches them to they showed no signs of halting. select this time for an attack- | By mere numbers alone, pushed on doubtless because as a usual thing by their fanatical belief in the favor men sleep the soundest at the latter of the gods whom Hassaje representend of the night, and are most like- d, the horde of black, sinewy forms ly to be surprised.

that lay within their power. The they must face the blasting, wither- than the hand of Hassaje himself, rest must be left to heaven. Many times Lord Bruno and Rex vers, and if in spite of all this they

would crouch behind the ramparts forged to the top of the pass, makand looking yearningly toward the ing a gory mat out of their luckless had Jim Bludsoe seen action - it region from whence help must come fellows, it would be to meet three was his business to take part if it ever did come, listen with all men who could fight like gladiators such dramas as seldom fall to the their might, hoping to detect some hand-to-dand, swinging their guns lot of most men -- he had played his reached the scene -- had they been far away sound that would give like cricket bats and hurling the im- little part in pushing forward the five minutes later the tragedy would new courage-the distant pis back as fast as they crossed the torch of civilization and crowding the have been complete. trampling of hoofs, the faint melody | line, so long as human nature could | blackness of ignorance and savage suof a burle, or perhaps such cheers as stand it. only hearty Anglo-Saxon lungs are And while this scene was taking way he had carried out the role for capable of sending forth.

papable of sending forth. Alas! they waited in vain. No signal of hope came out of the near by. south. It looked as though they were Every man had his hands full. Rex the reveille had sounded in another

stranded there, and must win their [ who had not suspected the enemy land. could steal such a march upon them own fight or die in the last ditch. The cowboys showed never a sign

of alarm. Before now they had known what it was to lead a forlorn which one to fire at first, but realizhope, and while perhaps none of them had ever experienced just such a predicament as this, it was all the ould hardly have known his piece same in the end-plenty of work, with a possibility of a glorious end. Time crept on.

Lord Bruno struck match after match in the endeavor to see the dial the wall. of his watch.

In half an hour the first thread of gray would appear. They migh

White Watery Pimples.

Five years ago my body broke out in white watery pimples, which grew so bad that the suffering was almost unbearable. I took doctors' medicine and various remedies for two years but they were of little benefit, sweat the pimples would come

out again. Blood Bitters, and I am glad I cal followers of the voodoo doctor followed his advice, for four botbattle influence. tles completely cured me.

The allies had carefully planned the save that its progress is downward hand-to-hand conflict was takin place, and when the furiously fighting assault, and those various little at- while they climbed upward. ways will be a predominant trait in tacks which were repelled without Now the foremost war shields overthe Anglo-Saxon constitution. Thus far the allies had not gained in and tremendous display of force had larged the crest, and were suddenly face, he found it almost unrecognization of the crest and were suddenly face. he found it almost unrecognization of the crest and were suddenly face. Briton shot a glance at his friend's ble on account of the powder been mere "feelers" as it were, to cost aside to expose the fierce farmes. grime, and splotches of blood, either from his own vein or that which show what disposition the defenders of the braves who had made this arwould be apt to make of their With cries that would have done came from enemies struck at close When the attack was on in earnest credit to nemons they sprang at the cuarte

Bet Lord Bruno' saw something whites. else --- he discovered Hastings' coun Only a few cartridges remained and tenance illuminated with an eager exthey must have by degrees sought these were put to good service; but pression, and the English artist or the impis scrambled over the crest faster than they could be cared for, the instant surmised that poor Rex and remaining for hours awaiting the and presently what promised to be must have had his reason shattered in the horried din of battle, for any the last tragic scene of the drama commenced, when the defenders of the man who could laugh or even show little fort among the rocks were com- the faintest hope under such conditions as these must certainly be out pelled to wield their guns as clubs. and meet the rush of numberless foes, of his mind.

If Rex was mad there must be savage for their lives. method to his condition. What was this he shouted in the ear of his companion: who performed prodigies of valor

"Did you hear it?" Hope they had none - desperatio: "Hear what?" bellowed the big lone urged then to resist to the against the foe and sent several the truth." blacks flying in a confused heap.

The end seemed close at hand "The blessed notes of a bugle!" Their number began to decrease. Bludsoe, the bravest of the brave was cried Rex. down. He had been carrying consternation into the midst of the enemy accursed devils." and wherever his clubbed rifle swept

- now tell me I am crazy!" One of the cunning blacks seeing An Lord Bruno's ears caught a nevhow impossible it was to force a way within the circle which Jim's whirling weapon covered, dropped to the rocks, and rolled to the feet of the of a bugle that arose above the aw-

cowboy - then, clasping his arms ful clamor of battle. pierced Bludsoe's breast.

Thus fell an heroic spirit, in the aye, and the glorious cheers from the throats of British soldiers. performance of duty. All his life Burnham had kept his word, and just in the nick of time the British South Africa mounted troops had

> CHAPTER XXXII. LOVE'S SACRIFICE.

When the black allies realized what turb this hero's slumber -- for him a trap they were caught in, consternation came upon the majority of them, and they began to leave the Bludsoe's fall weakened the little apex of the rocky mount with even was anazed to see the number of garrison very much, but it did not more celerity than they had shown

> Through the gray of morning the oncoming resources could be seen, would carry them, and sending forth encouraging shouts.

ad been discharged only from the after a degree, which was all that As their enemies melted away from sh of fire that shot from the muz- saved them from immediate destruc- in front of them the tired defenders e, and the fact that his target fell tion. Back to back they fought, de- of the fort let their arms drop, and livering and receiving blows. When answered the shouts of their coming It was at this moment a black hidthe arose from among the at last.

ing an assegai in his rock 're the might have been '. nor of Zamoodi. Not ten feet away stood Lord his wife, since she reigned in his

Bruno, all unconscious of his peril-he had detected the presence of the Heart as his queen. Heaven was very valiant Armstrong at the head of the her wound had appeared to be fatal, on-sweeping column, and waving his she survived the crisis and began to hat while sending cheer after cheer mend. Lord Bruno was all devofrom his stentorian lungs. Without a warning he heard a sud-den shrill cry behind him, and whirl-

ing about was just in time to see had won her heart. Little Phil sink at his feet pierced Rex had recovered from his slight through with an assegai that wounds, and amused himself in mak-had undoubtedly been intended for ing little excursions with the profesthe Briton, while a black figure he sor in search of oddities, and in the knew full well was bounding for the company of Marian, now his promisparapet. ed wife.

Waterford heard a gun sound be-side him, and realized that Rex had It was a happy time. kept a last bullet in his Winchester es between the hostile forces, but return to their stronghold with for some desperate purpose. He saw that wizard of South Africa, Cecil them. the witch-doctor leap high into the Rhodes, had come to the front and air and then fall like an inert mass his magical influence brought about upon the rocks, his devilish incanta-tions forever stilled by the young with among the natives they believ-American's lead.

American's lead. The Lord Bruno threw himself down heida the hey who had acced them 'airly. down beside the boy who had saved

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brothers, and thirty-four indunas "Tell me," said Rex, in a maze. and captains of the Matabele impis "You remember-Little Phil - I were gathered in solemn council in promised a girl in Natal to take her the hills four miles away. The "Bugle — you are away off, my brother with me. I was to blame — meeting was being held in secret, as boy. It was some call of these I made love to her, and then said the chiefs were afraid to come into ccursed devils." "No, no, I heard it. There—listen good-bye without speaking of my in-tentions. Little Phil—that brother the white troops. They wished, -is Madge herself!" however, to see Mr. Colenbrander, "I might have suspected it," said whom they trusted as a friend, and An Lord Bruno's cars caught a new of might have suspected it, said whom they trusted as a friend, and the er-to-be-forgotten sound. Thank Rex, as a score of things flashed Mr. Rhodes would be welcome if he was willing to attend the council, "But you didn't, any more than Thereupon, without hesitation, Mr, and of the night, and are most like-y to be surprised. Every precaution had been taken Every now. God bless her. I am afraid she staff wished to accompany him, but move, and see if there is any hope. would defeat its object and involve Why did she do it-I am not worthy Mr. Rhodes in great danger. Acof such a sacrifice." cordingly, Mr. Rhodes, Dr. Sauer, Little Phil smiled when they bent Mr. Colenbrander and the press reover her-the consciousness that she presentative started for the spot inhad saved his life made her happy. dicated, every man taking a revolver "It is just as well—this was my mission. He is an English lord, and who went unarmed. John Grootcould never have married a poor girl boom and John Makings made up like me," she kept repeating, begging | the party to the number of six, and Lord Bruno not to weep. The doctor reported the case al-rugged portion of the Matoppos, the together they moved quietly into the ost hopeless, but everything was route lying overland covered with

done that lay in their power, and | kopjes and honeycombed with caves. Marian upon learning the truth, Four miles from camp the six reachproved an exceedingly clever nurse. ed the foot of a huge kopie and one First of all they left the rocky hundred yards further on was the fortress with its ghastly mementoes trysting place. Mr. Rhodes and his of battle, and sought a new camp to companions dismounted and took up secure a short rest ere taking up the their position by a large ant heap march for Buluwayo. and waited, while Grootboom ad-The hills were alive with the Mata- vanced to the kopje to say the party bele, and it would not be safe for were awaiting the appearance of the

even such a company of well armed | chiefs. border fighters to remain in the Suddenly there was a gleam of enemy's country, since the impis white from the kopje, and all the could muster thousands of braves if chiefs filed out in a row. headed by given time. one carrying a white flag. They By slow stages they made the

drew near to the party in silence and ourney, and Buluwayo was reached squatted round them in a semicircle. The Indaba lasted for five hours, all The girl still lived, buoyed up with new hope, for Waterford had breathed) the points at issue being transfered by the points at issue being fully discuses that of old Hassaje, to tor of Zamoodi. ness which the chiefs evidently felt that he would be proud to make her

it certain possible consequences of the surrender. Then the chiefs arose, and each Heaven was very good-although

threw a small stick at the feet of Mr Rhodes indicating their willingness to surrender their guns, while mother similar stick meant that they were ready to hand over their assecais. In return Mr. Rhodes promised that the desired abolition of the native police force should be taken into serious consideration. The chiefs solemnly replied that hostilities should cease at once, and guaranteed the safety of the roads and of the coaches. Mr. Rhodes and his party were so impressed with the nonest motives of the chiefs that they Meanwhile there had been skirmish- even expressed their willingness to

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Muscular Rheumatism, pro duced by exposure, if neglected, develops into

ally favored with four hands intead of two, they might have kept The sable hued barbarians seemed to be in inexhaustible supply — for every one whom Rex and his fellow Liborers in the grout density of the set Liborers in the good cause knocked back, two seemed to spring into ex-With each passing minute of time t became more and more certain that he allies had decided to make a su-preme effort to finish the business one he allies had decided to make a supreme effort to finish the business one way or another — either they would exhaust the strength of the fort's de-

A neighbor advised Burdock
A neighbor advised Bu

The stock of rects ad ich had been

One pill a dose, 25 cents a box, all proved to be fighters when under the dealers, or Edmanson, Bates & Co., Toronto.

Dr. Chase's

ionsieur Jules had also found an all were heroes, why mention the friends. be tremendous bellow of the great that gallant little band? ager gun make its impression upon Lord Bruno, because of his magnifie general din. As for the sayant, cent physique, was a prominent mark e recoil tumbled him over in a eap, though he was speedily on his et again, as spry as a feline. There was an abundance of work in hand for every member of that n hand for every member of that ttle band. Had they been individand Dyspepsia

black forms that started to crawl paralyze them. Such was the condi- in reaching it. over the barrier. , He hardly knew tion of affairs that even though but one should be left that last surg the folly of delay made a start. vivor must beieve it his duty to con- advancing as fast as their horses Such was the infernal din that he tinue the battle. They had managed to get together

perstition to the wall. In his own

