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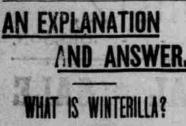


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I had been riding several hours through the hot dust of a southern Arizona plain on the trip from Antelope to the home ranch. I had not seen a living thing ex-cept the sourrying lizards, when I noticed ahead a man on horseback riding rapidly toward me toward me. At that point the trail led across the At that point the trail led across the great cactus plain known as Louesome valley. It was not a valley at all in the usual sense of the word, but a broad, level sweep of sandy desert stretching between two abrupt ranges of mountains. There was not a tree on it more than ten feet high, but I will venture to say that there

high, but I will venture to say that there were more varieties of cactus and more of those villainous plants to the square yard than could be found in any other spot on the globe. Southern Arizona is the gar-den of the cactus, and this desert must have been its own particular hotbed. I had been in the country scarcely six months, but I had already acquired a borror of cactus thorns, and guided my horse along the trail with a care which did not admit of great speed.

the trail with a care which did not admit of great speed. The rider whom I saw approaching me in Lonesome valley evidently had no such fear. His animal, which he was urging forward at a rapid lope, swerved easily to the right and left, threading the mazes of the cactus growth with the trained sense of a Mexican pony. As they approached I made out that the rider was a Maxican. At a still closer view I saw that he was a rather good look-ing Mexican, but poorly dressed, and that evidently he was on a journey. He had with him a canteen, a pair of worn, greasy blankets, and a lightly packed gunny sack. His horse was a homely, sharp bound an-imal, built for speed and endurance, forced marches, and long stages without water; but at present he was certainly tired. I will not say "tired out," for these ponies are never tired out until they are dead. The man checked his rapid pace as we

are never fired out until they are clead. The man checked his rapid pace as we neared each other, and I thought was about to pass with the customary buenos dias, when he cast a quick glance at my borse and reined in his own. I halted also. "You had verra fine hoss there, senor," he said, in a tone of the ntmost politeness. My borse, which I called Montezuma, was in fact a larger and better shaped ani-mal than is often seen in that country. I had picked him out for that reason on my first visit to Antelope, and at the time prided myself not a little on my choice. He was indeed a horse of excellent appear-ance and action, but he had some defects. His very build aboved that he was a north-ern or an eastern horse and not native

His very build showed that he was a north-ern or an eastern horse and not native born, and I found that he was by no means equal to the native breed in endurance or wiry strength. He could not travel as far nor go so long without water, nor was he as sure footed. However, he made an imposing appear-ance, and served me very well in my rides, which were chiefly for pleasure. He pricked up his ears, and the polite Mexican said again. "You haf verra fine hoss, senor."

hoss, senor. "Yes, he's a very good horse," I replied, not very cordially, but still with courtesy.

is to "rope" que another. In a wild racein and out of the correl one of them tries to throw his rope so as to encircle the man abead without catching the horse at the same time. If successful he drags him to the ground, more or less roughly. But this is only play, rough as it is. It would be no play to be caught by the cruel rope which the wretch was coiling on his left arm FASCINATION.

I watched him as if fascinated.

Why so Many Ladies Who Should b tive Fail to Please-A Brilliant Woman Reveals the Secret.

[Ladies' Home.]

[Ledies' Home.] "Dress is everything." "Is it? Some beautiful women cannot be improved by a dress, no matter how artistic it may be made." The speakers were two lady reporter for society papers. They had attended balls, receptions and parties for years. They had studied the effects of costumes, the lines of beauty, and had faithfully written upon them in the papers they represented. They were masters in their art and yet they differed. "You cannot prove your assertion by arm. I watched him as if fascinated. He reached for the loop, opened it wide, turn-ed sidewise in the saddle and swung it round his head. If it caught me I should be dragged headlong to the ground. If I leaned close to the horse it would close over us both, and we would go down together. In either case certain injury or death threatened me. In utter despair I pulled in my horse and stopped. The Mexican rode swiftly up, coiling his lasso as he came. The hard look gave way to the same smile that he had worn before, but I thought I detected something grim in it this time. Again, with that horrible politeness, he said: "Ah, the senor is too quesk—he no wait to say adios! But the hoss, he is as I say, he is verra fast. Will the senor no try my hoss now! Si, si, I think he will lika try Chihuahua now. He's hoss is mucha tired; lie lika leetle rest." In the same graceful way as before he

"You cannot prove your assertion by any lady of high standing and author-

ity." "I can," replied her companion. "Within two days I will show you an interview with the leading woman on dress of America." And the two friends

parted. Last Wednesday they met at the sam

Last Wednesday they met at the same place, when, producing a neatly-written manuscript, the lady read the following remarkähle interview: "Mrs. Annie Jenness-Miller is the acknowledged authority in America upon the subject of dress. An attractive woman herself, she knows how to render other women attractive in the highest degree. I sought an interview; it was granted, and I give you the results: "Do you think, Mrs. Miller, that women are made more attractive by their dress?" "That depends upon what you mean by attractive." "Pleasing, fascinating if you choose-more charming to men and other women." In the same graceful way as before he threw himself to the ground, and instantly caught Montezuma by the bridle. I was entirely unarmed. I had no doubt that the Mexican was well armed and quite ready to kill me if I attacked him. I dis-mounted slowly, with bad grace. To my surprise the Mexican handled me the bridle of his horse with a bow. "Now you shall try my Chihuahua! There is no more bettare in these countree. You will so say set you will try heem only." But I had no heart to mount. I had lit-

women.' "'A simply beautiful woman is seldom "A simply beautiful woman is seldom attractive; a stupid one never. It is the soul, the life, the brilliancy, which ren-der women attractive." "I'll acmit that, but what makes

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There is no more bettare in these countree. Yon will so say set you will try heem only." But I had no heart to mount. I had lit-tle doubt that the beast which was now leering at me with a vicious eye would buck me off at the first jump. The Mex-ican waited a moment out of sheer court-esy, then mounted Montezums and started gracefully off. He did not push him to his utmost at first, but went down the road carefully, as if trying him. Then he turned and came back at a somewhat better pace. I stood like a dummy, holding the bridle of his horse and watching him. His riding was a magnificent exhibition, but I was not in a condition to admire it. As if satisfied with the powers of Monte-ruma, he turned again and came down past me at full speed. As he passed me he shouted a few words in Spanish to his horse. The beast jerked back from me, struck at me with his forefeet and was after his master in an instant. The Mexican had turned in his saddle and was watching us with interest. As his der women attractive." "'I'll admit that, but what makes women brillant?" "'Vivacity, brightness and good health. Did you ever see a sickly woman able to entertain a dinner party of bright people? On the other hand, did you ever know a cultivated and refined women, overflowing with animal life and spirits, who was not fascinating?" "So you believe perfect health is the secret of fascination, do you?" "Most certainly. Artistic dressing is proper, fine curves attractive, but life, such as comes from healthy throbbing blood, is alone fascinating. It is a great mistake, however, to think that bealth is preserved by dress alone. Women must have proper food, freedom from care, and a good friend in need.' "'What do you mean by that?" "Some assistance physically. All women feel depressed at times, and all pleasure seems gone ont of life. On all such occasions, and indeed whenever blue or worn out, she needs help. I know, because I have been in that con-dition myself.'

The Mexican had turned in his saddle and was watching us with interest. As his horse broke away from me a smile spread over the man's face, which was more than a smile of politeness, and he raised his hat in a sweeping bow of derision. I stood there as if paralyzed on Lone-some valley desert, fifteen miles from home, and watched the villain ride my horse toward Mexico. But the Mexican cared too much for theatrical display. His people are the most perfect riders in the world, and my enemy was no exception to the rule. But he made a mistake in assuming that all horses

dition myself.' "'And what do you do when in that

perfect riders in the world, and my enemy was no exception to the rule. But he made a mistake in assuming that all horses are as sure footed as he was secure in his seat. This is true of Mexican ponies, the only ones he had ever ridden, but it was not true of Montezuma. As the Maxicen superval him deen still

"'And what do you do when in that condition?" "'One thing, and one thing only. I am assisted by the best friend that any woman ever had. It is Warner's Safe Cure. I mean it, and I have good reason to speak as I do. You think I am a perfectly healthy woman; so I am, but I take several bottles of this great cure every season just as I take additional care in the selection of tonic-giving food. As you know, there are certain times when every fwoman needs assistance. At such times, and before such times, there is, so far as I know, but one thing that can help, and that is the great cure I have named." "I bade Mrs. Miller a reluctant good-by, for I felt that I had met a woman not true of Montezuma. As the Mexican spurred him deep, still looking back over his shoulder at me, Montezuma came to a gully or wash. There are thousands of these across every road and trail in the southwest. This one was not more than three feet deep and five feet across. A native horse would have jumped it or leaped into it safely, even if it were six feet deep. But Montezuma, as he came to the wash, made no effort to jumpor, but plunged in with his forejump over, but plunged in with his fore

by, for I felt that I had met a woman who know women, what their trials and troubles were, and what they required." As he struck the bottom, which was of

As he struck the bottom, which was of rock loosely covered with sand, his knees doubled under him like straws. The best rider in the world could not have kept his sent. The Mexican, still glancing back at The loss is a very good more. The putter, for it seemed to me politic to be correctly for it seemed to me politic to be correctly the could under him like straws. The best to a man who was probably the out hims the world could not have kept his set. The Mexican, still glancing back at his own horse, went off as if huried from a catapult.
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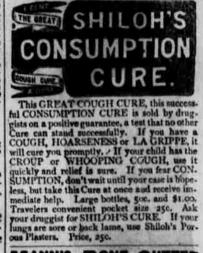
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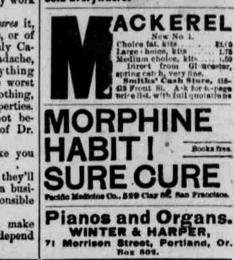
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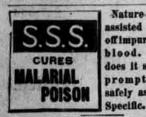
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posed to have been so much improve of late years. -Chicago Times.

The Champion Tramp of the World. The champion tramp would seem to be one Folkers, whom The San Fran-cisco Chronicle interviewed. He be-longs to Portland, Me., and is a shoe-Nature should be assisted to throw maker by trade. For ten years be has off impurities of the blood. Nothing has he paid a railroad fare, though on the blood are well as a state of the blood does it so well, so promptly, or so safely as Swift's

20,000 miles per year. Altogether he has traveled 200,000 miles.

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meetioni he go and go and go, and nevare stop. He drink ouly the one time a day, and he eat, ah, so leetle! In one year he not eat so mucha as a burro. But perhaps the senor," and here his face wore a most persuasive smile, "will lika to eggs-change? The senor will gif to me hees hoss, and I will gif to heem my magnifico Chiluvahua." Chihnahna."

"No, I do not wish to trade horses a

"No, I do not wish to trade horses at all," I said, with less cordiality than be-fore, as I began to feel decidedly uneasy in the presence of this smiling foreigner. "No?" he said, in a tone of regret. Then, after a moment, his face lighting up, he added: "Ah, but the senor has nevare tried heem! He does not know Chihuahua. Ef he try heem only the once he see that I tella heem the truth."

Ef he try heem only the once he see that I tella heem the truth." He threw himself to the ground and came toward me smiling. I now saw his plan. He was a desperate man, probably flying to Mexico to escape the consequences of some crime. My horse had attracted him at first sight. Either he needed it to help him on his journey or thought he might sell it for a good sum across the border. It seemed to me an excellent plan to go at once, without losing any more time in useless conversation. I turned quickly in the saddle, murmured a somewhat unnee-desary "Good-by," and spurred Montezuma

ensary "Good-by," and spurred Montezumi toward home.

The horse was fresh, and started away The horse was fresh, and started away in good shape: but in an instant the Mexi-can had sprung into his asddle and was after me. There was no doubt now as to his intentions. As I looked back. I saw that his face had lost its smile and taken on a cruel, sullen look. He dug his spurs into his horse, and the animal sprang into the same furious gallop that I had seen before.

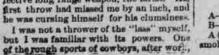
My heart sank as I realized that it was perhaps a race of life and death. The de-fects of my horse came to my mind with

lentless pursuer on a five mile stretch? Then what if Montezuma should stumble and throw me to the grou...d head fore-most? At the thought of this I turned again to the front. I could not afford to watch my pursuer. I must keep a clear outlook ahead. If I could only guide my

horse safely around every hole and stone, and across every wash, perhaps we could

yet pull away from the scoundrel behind At this moment something struck me

terrific blow in the back of the bead. I thought I had been shot, and turned slowly to look at my murderer. The end of a heavy, worn lasso was just slipping off the saddle behind me, and the Mexican. with an exclamation, was reeling it in, ev-idently making ready to throw again. He had seen that my horse was gaining, and accordingly had recourse to that most effective long range weapon, the lariat. His first throw had missed me by an inch, and he was cursing himself for his clumsiness.



If the Mexican had struck this cactu

feet set together.

If the Mexican had struck this cactus head foremost he would have been killed outright. As it was his right arm had been thrust deep into the long curving thorns, and they had closed into his arm and hand, holding them in a grip of steel. As he lay there writhing on the ground, his arm transfixed in a dozen places with these inflexible hooks, I saw my enemy de-livered into my power. It only remained to take advantage of the fortunate acci-dent which had humbled him. I first searched him, and took possession of his knife and revolver. Then, very slowly, I freed his arm, cutting away the softer parts freed his arm, cutting away the softer parts of the plant rather than trying the almost impossible task of cutting through the

As the Mexican rose I retreated to Mot As the Mexican rose i retreated to alon-teruma's back, and covered the man with the revolver. My precautions were use less. His arm was sprained as well as gashed in a dozen places by the cruei hooks. He painfully removed these, and bound his arm in a bandanna that he took

from his neck. I motioned for him to walk shead of me to

I motioned for him to walk ahead of me to-ward the ranch. We made a slow and sorry procession; the furious Maxican in front, Montezums limping painfully, and myself behind, the other horse following at some distance. But a sense of triumph sus-tained me through the long journey. At the ranch we dressed the villain's arm, set a guard over him and sent for the sheriff. He came, identified him as a dar-ing horse thier wanted for several offences in the northern part of the territory, and relieved us of his company.—Frank Gil-lette in Youth's Companion. lette in Youth's Companie

Stating the Case Frankly

The servant girl answered the door-bell and replied that her mistress was startling distinctness. How gladly would out. "Please tell her," said the caller, I have exchanged him for the boniest cow "that I would like very much to have pony in the country! The Mexican's horse her come over tonight to play whist." was not gaining on us now, for Montezuma "Well, ma'am," answered her royal was fresh; but could he outrun that re leatless pursuer on a five mile stretch? S. can't go; it's my night out, and she's got to stay in."-Springfield Homestead

Social Pastels. Mr. Rounds-How nicely that Miss In-style carries her head! Miss Dukatts-She ought to carry it CONSUMPTION easily-it's so light .- Puck.

I have a positive remarkly for the above discase; by its use thousands of cases of the worst kind and of long standing have been enred. Indeed so strong is my faith Left with No Excuse. "Well, Bill," said the tramp, "it's time for us to be getting off into the country." "Why so soon!" n lis effercy, that I will send Two nor VALUARLE TREATURE on this di

"The city free baths are open."-Racket neer who will send me their Express and P. O. address P. A. Slocum, M. C., 183 Pearl St., N. Y.

Ironical Significance. De Sute-Wheredid you get your clothe

Harry-Saltator's. But why do you ask? He only does a cash business.--Puck. Harry?

Polite to a Fault. A-Have a cigar? B-Thanks (takes one). A (disappointed)-I thought you diday moke?-Journal pour Rirs.

after breakfast, w met him with a board off a dry goods



