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66 CUESS of Bob Skiles won't never have no confidence in b'ars ag'in," Sabin Budd, who spares rattlesnakes with a leather string and hunts ieer and bears with a single-barreled nuzzle-loading ahotgun. "And it nuzzle-loading shotgun.

Bob Skiles is famous in the neighborhood of Kettle Creek, Pa., as a bear bunter and one who pretends to use philosophical forethought as an aid to his hunting. Thus, one day last pring he discovered a family of bears n the woods along Polly's Run. It bear and three cubs. The cubs were

out a few weeks old. Skiles' first impulse was to put a ball through the old bear as she sushed toward him from her retreat beneath the roots of a fallen tree, and to earry the cube home alive, but on econd thought he resolved to spare he family. He knew that the cubs would pine for their mother and per haps would not live under alien care

"I'll just let the hull caboodle of 'em nlone," said Bob "Six months from rive me some fun in the woods, and he of woman b'ar'll bave a nice new out o' fur on to her. I'll let 'em live. and reap the harvest o' my bein' kind o 'em along when snow begins to fly

So he did what no other hunter in all that spread of waters would have done He passed on and left the bear family

About two weeks before Thanksgiv ng he had the satisfaction of knowing hat the cubs had grown to be more han half as big as their mother, fat as sigs ready for the killing, and with cats of fur of the blackest and glessiest. The mother was also in uperb coat and finest condition. They were snugly boused in Tamarack

EASTERN STAR, O. E. S.—Hope Chapter No. 15 meets the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:50 p. m. in Masonic Temple.

Genevive Bohnenkamp, W. M. MARY A. WARNIJK, Sec. "Guese I'll let 'em pick up for a week or so more." said he. "Then they'll be ready for me to have fun with."

A couple of days later he saw the M. W. A.—La Grande Camp No. 7703 meets every first and third Wednesday of the month at I. O. O. F. hall. All visiting neighbors are cordially invited to attend. C. S. Williams, V. C. John Hall, Glerk. pear family again. The old bear and two of the cube went into the swamp and the other cub started away on his own account, over toward an old wood -oad, and down the road toward Bly's

"That ain't reg'lar." said Bob. "That b'ar ain't actin' square!

So be followed the cub, which went along at a lively rate, and turned into the woods, at the further edge of which Bly had a few sheep in a lot. with a long fence around it. Silkes hurried on, and came out of the woods into the lot just as the young bear had cornered the sheep and had killed one.

"That bein' the case," said Bob, "I'll have to have my fun with this young sub right now."

And he killed the cub and gave it to Bly because it killed Bly's sheep.

A day or two afterward Bob had an offer of a good price for a big bearskin, and he went out to get the mother of the family. He got on her trail. The two young bears were with her.

Bob followed her for an hour before he got a shot, and the old bear turned on him so fiercely that if it and not been for his dog she might ave got him instead of his getting er, but he got her. The two young

mears went up a big tree.
"I'll leave 'em." said Bob. "I'll leave a Thanksgivin' bunt with 'em. nd have a lot more fun I'll get one of 'em or that day and then I'll keep t'other one for a Christmas unt They'll wait for me."

In less than a week after that, hough, some one from the county ent sent word to Bob that if he could send over a couple of bears. roung fat and juicy, right away, he ould get his own price for them. se lot concluded that he wouldn't keep he two remaining members of the and he started out bright and early tr get them for the man at the

"Tain't fer me to be the jedge o' folks' noin's," said Sabin, "but when a feller has nosed around in the woods as much as Bob Skiles has, an then goes an puts his confidence in fars, it sarves him right if he gits coled. I was settin' on a log over his side o' the big cranberry mast valtin' fer a feer that I thoug' nebbe mowt come along to ches ome o' the wild grass on the edgof it, and who should I see but Bol with his gun on his shoulder, bound for somewheres.

"'Hello. Bob!' I sung out. 'Where do you think you're goin'?" 'Goin' to git them two b'ars o'

mine that's over on the edge o' old Tamarack, waitin' fer me.'

"'So?, I says. 'Hope you'll git 'em.' I says. " 'Course I'll git 'em!' says Bob.

"I didn't say nothin' more, an' on he went. I looked arter him till he got out o' sight. Then I says to my self:

"Sometimes a feller is a leetle tor" sure o' things. 'Specially if it's b'ar, I says.

"So I got on the log and sort pondered, an' by an' by 'long come a slammin' nice buck to chaw wildgrass at the edge o' the cranberry ash, an' I knocked him over, skinned him out an' took him home. An' as I was goin' home I says to mysel!

" Sometimes a feller is a leete

o sure o' things. 'Specially if it's

"Now, the reason why I said that was somethin' like this. The day afore I was settin' on that log waitin' for the deer an' had that talk with Hob Skiles I was over to Bly's clearin'. It was along in the arternoon when stopped there, an' Bly says to

"'Why ain't you out helpin' 'em ketch the b'ar?' says he. "'B'ar?' I says. 'What b'ar?'

"The fattest an blackest young b'ar you ever see, says Bly. 'One o' the Nelson boys saw it first, wab blin' along not more'n a mile from here, up the creek, says he. 'It was headin' in from Tamarack swamp. "'So?' I says. 'If there was two 'ars now, 'stid o' one, I'd think sure bey must belong to Bob Skiles' b'ar emily-the two that 's waitin' for im to have fun with,' I says.

"'Mebbe,' says Bly, an' that's all hat was said jist then, about b'ar.'
"'Long to'ards night, as I was on the p'int o' leaving Bly's, in come the Nelson boys an' two or three more. They was hootin' sh' howlin' is if they'd jest come in from siec-An' they had good reason for motin'. They hadn't only fetched in he b'ar that Bly was talkin' about out they had fetched in another un They was the fattest an' blackest voungsters o' b'ars I ever see

Skiles' b'ar family, sure as sap! says L "They be, certain." An' they're rone back onto Boh! Ther've abus is confidence!' I says 'But what could you expect of b'ars?' I says. "An' with that I left for home, an didn't think nothin' more about it till next day, when I was settin' on that log nigh Cranberry swamp waitin' for a der that mout mebbe come along to chaw the wild grass, an' seen' Bob with his gun, headin' for Tamarack twamn to git his two b'ara.

"I didn't say nothin' to him "bout what I'd seen over to Bly's clearin'.
cause I thought there mowt setch
a thing be that the two b'are the Velson hoys got wa'n't the Bob Skiles two orphans arter all, but I couldn't elp remarkin' to myself, as Bob went on to'ard the awamp that some times a feller is a leetle too sure o' things 'specially if it's b'ar.

"Well, sir, the evenin' o' that day as I was cuttin' some steaks offer the ham o' that buck I had knocked over when it come along to est wild grass on the cranberry mash, who should come in but Bob Skiles. " 'Hello, Robert!' says L 'Where's

the two orphans?"
"Bob was lookin' glum an' disap-

"'Sabin,' says he, 'you know how I treated that b'ar family. I could 's plunked the ol' woman b'ar an' gobbled her young uns ten month-ago, 'most, if I'd a been a mind to says he, 'but I treated 'em white, an give 'em a chance to be somebody an' to have some high ol' fun with me this fall, says he. The been a reglar father to that family, says he. When I found out that one a the young 'uns was turnin' out to be a sheep thief I put him out o' the way o' temptation.
"Then I see that the ol' woman

b'ar was gettin' old an' sassy, a I fixed her so she couldn't git he dander up an' make herself look ur pleasant any more. But,' says B . I kep' my eye on t'other two youn; uns, 'so's they wouldn't git to goin wrong, an' so's they could still have a bully chance to be on hand when wanted 'em, so's they could show they 'preciated what I had done for

"'But what have they done?' says 'Here was their chance to-Bob. day, to show their gratitude but stid o' doin' of it they go an' hide.' he says. 'an' make me trapse an' 'rudge an' tumble 'round in ol' Tamarack an' every which way through the woods,' he says, an' there don't neither one on 'em show up! I a feller contemptible mean an' inconsiderate! he says.

"'That's jest what it is, Robert,' I says 'But they hain't made nothin' by it.' I says. "No? he says 'Why?"

"They didn't hide from you,' I says to Bob.

"An' then I up an' told him all about the young b'ars the Nelson boys I had gathered in, 'cause knowed then, for certain, that they was Bob Skiles' two orphans. Bob

be leaned onto his gun and sighed.
"'Well,' he says, 'tain't that 'blame the Nelson boys. Their bound en duty was to gether in b'ars hey see any to gether in. It's the errible ingratitude o' them two 'ars that hurts me.' he says. never would a 'thunk iti

"An' with that Bob went on home an' though I wa'n't no ways glad he was fooled so bad-quite the trary-yit I couldn't help thinkin that it sarved him right. Yes, sir You kin bet your pile it don't pay to put your confidence in b'ar!"-N. Y. Sun.

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